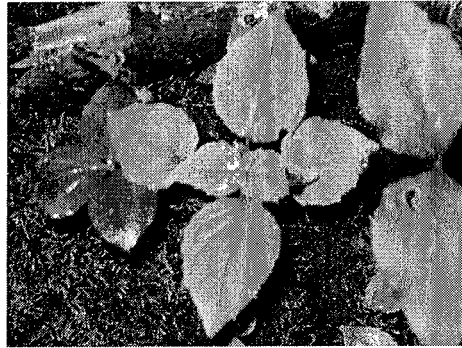


**Fayston Natural Resource Committee Meeting Minutes
October 15th, 2007**



Members present:

Ky Koitzsch, Chair, Patti Greene-Swift, Jane Lazorchak, Mary O'Leary, Stellan Wollmar, and Ned Kelley. Members absent: Peter Forbes

September Minutes, 2007:

Ky Koitzsch & Ned Kelly met, no minutes were taken.

Ancient Roads

Members decided on the final list of ancient roads to research in depth for preservation.

Ancient Roads # 1 – 16

1. NO. FNRC members decided unanimously not to pursue the loop road located in Big Basin.
2. Yes. Located on the right at the end of Sharpshooters road, number two crosses over into Duxbury. Members unanimously agreed to pursue researching this possible ancient road. Mary has contacted Duxbury, and they have not yet begun researching their ancient roads.
3. No. Members unanimously agreed to not pursue number three as it is believed that it is now used as a driveway.
4. No. Members unanimously agreed to not pursue number four as it is believed that this ancient road goes right through someone's home.
5. No. Members unanimously agreed not to pursue number five which is located just off the left side of Dunbar Hill and crosses into Duxbury.
6. No. Members agreed that number six is no longer a road.
7. Yes. Members unanimously agreed that number seven needs more research.
- 7.5 No. Jane checked and the present landowner created the road.
8. Yes. Members unanimously agreed that number eight will be pursued since Baird of the Bush is a known spot for recreation.
9. Yes. The Fayston/Huntington gap trail is known to be used for recreation, and is an interesting area.
- 10.No. Number ten, located by Old & New Mansfield roads, is not known to be used and members unanimously decided not to pursue it.

11. Yes. Slide Brook road is number eleven and is actively used for recreation, and it is already known to be a class 4 road.
12. Yes. German Flats area near Warren Town line & extending into Warren
- 12a. Yes. Tucker Hill road area.
- 12b. Yes. Marble Hill extension with access off Sugar Run Rd.
13. Yes. This area is located near Post Office Hill in Fayston, abutting the Waitsfield line.
14. No.
15. Yes. Talc Mine Road needs more research.
16. Yes. Phen Basin Road connecting to Phen Road needs more research.

Ongoing Work List for Ancient Roads (* = in process or completed)

1. *Education about the ancient roads legislation for the FNRC members. Mary will do a write-up and Patti will find legal definitions for different classes of town roads, and identify what the process encompasses for downgrading roads to trails.
2. *Create maps for the FNRC to work with as a group.
3. *Identify ancient roads not known to be thrown up.
4. *Gather landowner information.
5. Present to Select Board our findings, thoughts, recommendations, and come to an agreement on future actions.
6. Create public presentation, contact landowners via letter/phone and invite them as well as the public, by newspaper & web to a meeting to discuss the who, what, when, where, and why of the ancient roads project. Work with public to get consensus on which roads to keep & which to potentially throw up.
7. Public meeting for ancient roads.
8. Create recommendations from the public meeting suggestions & our own work too for the Fayston Select Board.
9. Present to Select Board.

Publicity:

The FNRC press release created by Jane is ready for Ed's approval.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held at the Fayston Town Offices at 7:00 p.m. on November 12th, 2007.

Committee Name:

Members briefly discussed getting a name change for the committee; however no decision was made regarding a change.

Homework for members:

Become familiar with ancient road sites around town, continue ancient roads work. (all)

Chase Brook plan & visit Chase Brook Parcel (all)

Basket for FNRC work in progress (Patti)

Upcoming Meetings:

Please see Long-Range Meeting Schedule.

Thank you:

Ned for the clear mapping details & use of your copy of the ancient roads map!

Meeting adjourned 8:45 p.m.

Members unanimously agreed to end the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully,

Patti Greene-Swift, FNRC Secretary