

BOYCE HILL STEERING COMMITTEE

Minutes

September 20, 2022

Present via Zoom: Pete Colgan, Amy Sheldon, Corrie Miller, Sally Dwyer, Chuck Martel, Woody Dugan, Karrie Thomas, and Lisa Koitzsch

1. Pete moved to approve the minutes from August 22, 2022. Sally seconded, no further discussion, all in favor. The motion was approved.
2. Management Plan Discussions
 - Amy sent an email with the draft management goals. Lisa will create a Google doc so the SC can provide feedback.
 - The SC continued working on the property map with Amy. Review and revision of some of the areas discussed at the last meeting (pond, knoll at the top, western boundary, etc.). Primary focus at this meeting was on the middle portion of the map, pond embankment management, diverse vegetation management zones, artificial channel, and clearing for view retention. The SC highlighted several areas so that discussion could be continued.
 - Amy will send out an updated version of the map soon.
3. Chuck reminded the SC that the Select Board has the final decision-making authority for this management plan. All agreed that once the draft map is updated by Amy, several SC members should meet with the Select Board to update them on preliminary decisions and solicit feedback.
4. Sugarbush has agreed to help mow the property this fall. Discussion about incorporating brush hogging this year. Sally will speak to Chris Griffin and set up a time for him to provide us with advice as to what is possible with a brush hog.
5. The next meeting will be in two to three weeks. Lisa will send out a Doodle poll soon. Some of the topics to be discussed at the meeting: Select Board update, strategies (prioritization and worksheet management), goals, and Fall mowing efforts.