Pondicherry Park Stewardship Committee
May 2, 2019
5:00 pm
Meeting location: in the park

Present: Mary Jewett (LEA rep and chair); Allen Erler (LELT alt); Glenn Zaidman (Town rep); Leigh Hayes (LEA alt and recorder)

Unable to attend: Bob Peabody (Town Manager); Heather Rorer (LELT rep); Mark Lagoda (Town rep); Dan Edwards (Town rep); Dick Bennett (Town alt)

Hazard Tree Update: Town waiting until conditions improve. Mary shared Maine Breeding Bird Safe Dates and suggested Town wait until nesting season completed (Mid-August at the earliest).

Volunteer Day: Mary will send out a doodle poll for dates.
Tasks to complete—clean culverts; remove plug and drain/clean Kneeland Spring; trim growth along trails; readjust trail signs; assess trail conditions

Committee Member Roles/Terms: Glenn made a motion that Leigh should serve as recorder of notes; second by Allen. Motion passed.
Vice Chair will be considered at June meeting.
Discussion: Terms should be posted on Town website. Bear will talk to town manager about creating archive for Stewardship Committee documents.

Management Plan Update: Tabled discussion to June meeting.

Brochures: Map updated; 5000 brochures to be printed by Cardinal Printing/Minuteman Press.

Walkthrough: Today's journey found us following the entire Pondicherry Loop
Items of concern:
Kiosk and Bridge: lots of mold needs to be addressed (bleach and clear preservative?)
Consider cobra cable for some hazard trees such as one near the bridge
Need sewer snake to clean culverts
If hazard tree solid, can we take top off and leave rest as snag?
Remove trunk that fell across Kneeland Spring last year but leave tree with moss on it
Crushed rock for wet areas topped with wood chips?
Left hand turn to Pasture needs an arrow
Tent northeast of Pasture—report made
Educate public about trees marked with paint; remind them to follow trail blazes and not painted dots
Water bars or crushed rock on Snowshoe Hare Trail?

Meeting adjourned at 6:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Leigh Macmillen Hayes
PPSC recorder