

Canaan Conservation Commission

September 12, 2011

Attendees: Aaron Allen, Marcia Wilson Bill Chabot, Elizabeth Chabot, Len Reitsma, Mandy Ruest.

Guests: Noel Everts, Hillary Rogers

Misc

- In addition to other things, The Recreation Committee is working on a map of all public-access trails in Canaan. There is some debate what the restrictions are for Bear Pond. Marcia will investigate before including Bear Pond on the map

The Nature Conservancy- Mascoma Headwaters Proposal

- At our last meeting, we talked briefly about the Commission possibly making a donation towards the purchase of the property. Bill has done some investigating and read that we would need a warrant article and a public hearing to do so. We would need to submit the article by January for a March vote.

Nature Hut

- Bill stopped by to take some photos for a presentation he is making to the Canaan Bird & Garden Club on the 13th. He discovered that the area must've flooded during Hurricane Irene because the stairs and ramp appear to have floated some distance from the building. The Hut itself didn't appear to have sustained any damage. However, Aaron suggested that we strap the hut to the piers to ensure protection from future flooding.
- At the last work day, the ramp was added to the front steps and another window was installed. One loop trail is also marked with tapes to the west side of the hut. There are now two roughly marked trails at the site.
- Next work day- we're considering October 29th or 30th. To be confirmed via email

Minutes

- Will be approved at the October meeting

Aaron moved to adjourn the meeting

Marcia seconded

The next meeting will be Monday October 3rd at the Senior Center