

BILLINGS PARK COMMISSION  
Minutes - APPROVED  
25 October 2021  
4:30 pm

In Attendance:

Billings Park Commission Members: Randy Richardson, Don Wheeler, Alison Clarkson, Rebecca Williams, Michael Green, Phil Robertson, Sam Segal, Julian Underwood

Marsh/Billings/Rockefeller National Park Liaison – Jennifer Waite

Woodstock Town Manager: Bill Kerbin

Woodstock Select Board Member:

Visitors: Bill Corson

1. Alison called the meeting to order at 4:32.
2. Alison amended the minutes to bring the discussion of BPC chair to the beginning of the agenda.
3. Minutes from 27 September 2021 accepted unanimously.
4. BPC leadership – Alison discussed stepping down after this meeting. BPC Sam moved to nominate Rebecca Williams as Chair to the BPC / Don seconded  
Accepted Unanimously.  
Discussion of Alison Clarkson’s considerable years of service, more than 30, as a Billings Park Commission and for her leadership in stewarding the Billings Park Commission for many of those years.
5. Update on Park Management Plan – Jennifer Waite
  - a. Jennifer reported that Kent is continuing to work on the Eco Systems/Natural Communities work.
  - b. Randy expressed his enthusiastic support of Kent’s possible initiative to promote old-growth forest characteristics within the BPC’s parks.
6. Continued work for 2021:  
Don updated the commission on the Golf Ave entry to Mt Peg summit trail. 4 trees need to be removed and the entry should be freshened.  
Update on Tree clean up on Mt Peg and Mt Tom  
Update on Mowing on Mt Peg - Don stated that Gabe Hawthorn is the contract for the mowing.  
Schedule for 2022 (invasives & mowing)

Jennifer will connect with Kent about a coherent plan for mowing.

Fire Pit – Julian will continue to connect with Hudson Maxham.

Picnic table repair and U Bench replacement – Randy will continue to connect with possible builders. He noted that builders are difficult to schedule.

7. Town Parks – Bill Corson reported out on the status of his town park inventory. Has presented to the Village Trustees and the Woodstock Select Board.
8. Girl Scout Cabin Update – Randy updated the commission on the status of the application for use as a rental for the cabin. Another application needs to be put in for an outhouse or something else, which is done by the state. Becky reported that David Greene said that the state fire marshall needs to approve any renovations and usage.
9. New Business - None
10. Next meeting – Monday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021
11. Randy nominated Julian to continue on as Secretary. Michael Seconded. Unanimously approved.
12. Becky adjourned the meeting at 5:46.