

BILLINGS PARK COMMISSION
On Zoom or at Town Hall
Minutes - Approved
25 April 2022
4:30 pm

In Attendance:

Billings Park Commission Members: Rebecca Williams, Wendy Jackson, Randy Richardson, Sam Segal, Phil Robertson,

Marsh/Billings/Rockefeller National Park Liaison:

Woodstock Town Manager:

Woodstock Select Board Member (s):

Visitors:

1. BPC New Board Member
 - a. Welcome Wendy Jackson!
 - b. Board members provided short background information and why they joined the BPC
 - c. Wendy is active with ORT and has also adopted a section of the AT in Pomfret.

2. Kent McFarland's Park Management Plan
 - a. Drop box for plan
 - b. This is to be viewed as a full ecological plan, not just a trails plan or plan for one area of review
 - c. It is to be treated as a living plan and will evolve as we uncover more and continue to manage our parks
 - d. The ecological importance of different zones is not created equal. There are several areas of high importance for preservation including vernal pools and areas of old forest.
 - e. It is important that we understand that the plan is not only on what is currently in different zones but what should be.
 - i. We have several areas of issue on Mt. Peg due to poor management in previous generations and the introduction of several invasive species
 - f. We will receive a matrix of what is low hanging fruit and different action items that need to be taken.
 - g. We will coordinate with Ken and a UVM professor to set up a site view. (Note: Sorry, I didn't write the professors name down nor when

we plan to meet him).

3. Ongoing business updates
 - a. Preschool Classroom
 - b. Girl Scout Cabin
 - c. Benches/ Picnic tables
4. Planning for Spring
5. New Business
6. Next meeting- May 16th on Mt Peg!