

Carlisle Trails Committee  
Report of December 7, 2012 Meeting  
Bert Willard, Secretary

Attendance: Alan Ankers, Henry Cox, Marc Lamere, Warren Spence, Steve Tobin, Bert Willard.

Guests: Sylvia Willard, Joan Wiggins, Ann Wiggins, Robert Wiggins, John Ritchie, Jonathan DeKock, Jeffrey Brem, Roy and Helen Herold.

**Documents Presented:**

Residential Site Plan Conservation Cluster "Trails End," Meisner Brem Corporation, October 22, 2012.

Lot Layout Conservation Cluster "Trails End," Meisner Brem Corporation, October 22, 2012.

Long Ridge Road Conservation Cluster, Neighborhood Concerns – Knollwood Neighborhood Group, November 19, 2012, 3 pages.

Letter from Tim Hult to the Carlisle Planning Board, December 5, 2012.

Email from George Mansfield to Sylvia Willard, December 7, 2012.

Email from Mike Hanauer to Henry Cox, December 6, 2012.

**Old Business:**

**Minutes from November 2 meeting:**

The minutes for the November 2 meeting were approved as written.

**Benfield Viewing Platform:**

The certificate of compliance for the Benfield viewing platform has been received from the Conservation Commission.

**Eagle Scout/Foss Farm trail:**

All trail work has been completed except for a sign at the Bedford road entrance. "Pitch Pine" was suggested as a name for the new trail.

**Foss Farm Bridge To South Field:**

Alan and Marc met with the building inspector, John Luther, the last time on November 20. After conferring with other building inspectors in surrounding towns, Luther decided that our design for the footings was acceptable (cement bumpers sitting directly on the ground without foundations).

We do not need a building permit for this or future projects in our applications to the Conservation Commission. But we need to provide to Luther a copy of the plans before construction.

It was decided to complete the bridge in the spring before black fly season.

**Since Last Meeting:**

A sunny 55-degree day brought out 38 people for the "Day After American Thanksgiving Day" trail walk. We made our way from the Foss Farm parking lot to the

Greenough dam returning to the parking lot.

Post-Hurricane cleanup:

Two volunteer workdays and countless hours by Warren Spence have finished clearing the Town Forest.

Marc has cut six trees in Chestnut Estates.

**New Business:**

**100 Long Ridge Road Conservation Cluster:**

Jeff Brem presented site plans for his proposed development of 3 houses in a conservation cluster, with additional conservation restrictions on two of the lots. The Planning Board has asked the Trails Committee to provide feedback on the value to the town of the proposed conservation parcel. Jeff is seeking Trails Committee endorsement for a short neighborhood trail on the open space. Several neighbors expressed their concerns for the impact on their neighborhood of the project. Steve Tobin showed photos taken during the public walk of the proposed open space on December 2. No decision was taken concerning the request, this will be made at the next meeting on January 4, 2013.

**Schedule next meeting:**

The next meeting will be January 4, 2013.