

Greater Goose Pond Stewardship Committee Meeting Friday May 9, 2025 Agenda 8:30am Trail Work 9:45am Meeting

Carrah Fisk-Hennessey (Parks & Recreation Dir)

Members:

Staff:

Tom Haynes Art Walker Steven Bill

Charles Ferrando Stella Scott

Mike Davern

Agenda:

April Minutes Review

Maps and Signage

Trails

- Projects
- Field work & schedule

Outreach

Discussion Topics - Updates

- Spillway bridge: design and fundraising
- Blazing
- All person trail
- New bike trails: recommendations
- Solar project

New or old business

Adjournment

Next Meeting: Friday, 13 June 2025 @ 8:30 a.m. Most likely in the woods.

Greater Goose Pond Stewardship Committee Friday April 11, 2025 Minutes 8:30am KPRD Room 22

Members: Staff:

Tom Haynes Carrah Fisk-Hennessey (Parks & Recreation Dir)

Art Walker

Steven Bill Guest:

Brian McBreairty Lew Shelley, SnowHawk LLC

Charles Ferrando Stella Scott Mike Davern

- March Meeting Minutes Reviewed and Adopted Charles 1st, Art 2nd unanimous
- Brian McBreairty has resigned from the committee. Looking to recruit additional members willing/able to meet about and work on the trails. Would like to recruit someone from the Goose Pond neighboring area.

Maps and Signage:

- Requesting larger maps at each trailhead (current = 11x17, looking for 18x24 or 24x36) Gem quotes?
- Requesting paper maps (2-sided) Cost quotes?

Trails:

- Project list is long!

Field work = Fridays 5/9, 6/13, 7/11, 8/8 & Saturdays 5/3, 6/7, 7/5, 8/2 Combined meeting proposed for Friday 5/9 – work first, meet after (all in favor)

- All Person Trail

Site determined closest to south lot trailhead, looking out across the little pond

Lew's rough estimate is between \$10-12,000 to install (\$2500-\$3500 in materials plus
equipment + time) → particular regarding the use of equipment/digging (important!)
Timing and funding = Spillway Bridge has priority…backburner for now

Outreach

Discussion Topics:

- Spillway bridge - design and fundraising

Carrah will work on establishing donation line for RecDesk use at determined "Olympic Levels" MSFI meeting = 5/21 → City Council for approval → FOP to accept donations Community Development permitting after MSFI approval, letter to Purchasing for design-build Anticipated cost estimate from Bryan & Lew − engineering = abutments (breakdown precast/wasteblocks to be installed with HWY excavator) − addressed handful of unknowns = tariff impact on lumber (Canada currently excluded)...handrails would need wire mesh so no one could go through the rails

- Blazing = winter project?

Choose colors – can be paint or reflective/aluminum tags/nails. Seems to be a "mystery blazer" (American Trails style) very neatly done on the Loop Trail. Opportunity to add historical references? Larger conversation to be had.

- New bike trails

New trails of any type require communication and collaboration – provide intent & reasoning KPRD works with NEMBA for bike trail establishment/network (Carrah to attend next meeting?) Society for the Protection of Forests had trail density concerns years ago (Minister's Lot) = Carrah will work with Mike on a process

- Fall leaf blowing (recommendations?)
- Solar project: stay aware of progress (if any)
- Green Up Keene 4/26 rain or shine!

Adjournment