Wilmington Trail Committee Minutes for November 8, 2012

Present: John Greene, Gary Henry, Bob Fisher, Ann Ottaviano and guest Hal Himmelstein. Friends of Wilmington Trail Committee - Alan Stewart and John Gannon.

Absent: Crista Gannon, Spencer Crispe, Joe Arnold and Diane Chapman. Alternates -Mark Haughwout and Ryan Edwards.

Meeting opened at 6 p.m.

Hogback Trails: Mr. Himmelstein expressed the need to determine the boundary lines between Wilmington and Marlboro on the snowmobile trails. Trails should be marked properly before the season begins.

Molly Stark and Shearer Hill Trail: A suggestion was made that we should have our map enlarged for kiosks on said trails and given to Ethan Phelps of Forest and Parks. One should be posted near the Fire Tower, another in the gift shop and a third one where Shearer Hill Trail connects with Molly Stark Trail.

Bridge: More than half of the rip- rap has been completed by Mark Hescock. The approximate cost will be \$5,000. Everything should be in place for the installation of the bridge next summer.

Village Trail: Carl Boyd pinned down the railroad ties. We have been asked to hold off until next spring before we fill in the trail with gravel.

Hoot Toot and Whistle Trail: Bob Fisher reported that Michael Lou Smith will contact Alan Quackenbush, the state wetlands representative, and Mary Abar, the Army Corp of Engineers representative in order to proceed with the filing for the necessary permits. After this has been completed, we have to get the final permit from Trans Canada.

Old Lake Raponda Trail: The collapsed roof on Mrs. Weil's well has to be addressed. Bob Greene volunteered to speak to her about it.

Maps: We received the additional 250 maps and are in the process of folding them. The Chamber was down to their last two maps. Mr. Himmelstein suggested that we mention on our maps that Wilmington Trails are marked with blue diamonds.

At the end of our meeting, John Gannon mentioned that the Catamount Trail Committee scheduled their maintenance of sections 1 and 2 (MA line to Route 9 in Wilmington) for this weekend. It was noted that this is a long weekend and the beginning of Deer Rifle season. Alan Stewart contacted Sam Bartlett and expressed our concerns. Mr. Bartlett said he would cancel the work this weekend and reschedule for later in the year. We thank Sam for his understanding and flexibility. **Next Meeting:** December 13, 2012, 6 p.m. at Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted, Ann Ottaviano Recording Secretary