Bike & Trails Committee Trail Site Walk Meeting

February 12, 2020, Noon

Gravel Parking Area Across From 115 Albert's Hill Road, Newtown, CT

Minutes

ATTENDEES

Committee: Brad Accettella, Geordie Elkins, Mark Lurie (Conservation Commission liaison)

Guests and Public: Stephanie Stroud, Stephan Bastrzycki, Peter Cloudas, Kenda Bobowick, Glen

Boyle

WALK STARTED at 12:10

No Quorum. No Motions

Stephan Bastrzycki introduced the group the trail assessment form that he developed. He then walked through each question and defining the terms and explaining how to make notes and records for each one.

The group then walked a section of Al's Trail from the meeting place south towards the old Eagle Hill Treatment Center. In sections the trail was completely lost under fallen trees. Walking was very difficult making it hard for the group to stay together. The amount of damage was so severe, that it proved not to be a good location for practicing trial assessment. As the group was getting spit up by the terrain, the decision was made to turn back and practice the assessment in an easier location. After returning to the parking area, the group then practiced assessing terrain in the NFA Mulliken Preserve. A few group members then walked a short section of the Blue Trail in Lower Paugussett State Forest.

ADJOURNMENT 4:00

Geordie Elkins, Secretary