

Orange Conservation Commission - Notice of Meeting

High Plains Community Center - Room 2 – July 5, 2023, 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA

- I. Call to order
- II. Emergency Exits
- III. Public Dialogue
- IV. Review and approve June Minutes – N/A
- V. Financial Report

VI. Old Business


- A. Schedule a Fall workday - date & location.

VII. New Business

- A. Vote for Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary
- B. losing the Howard Brooks walkway at RaceBrook Tract; unsafe conditions
- C. Re-apply for DEEP grant in 2024 for Howard Brooks walkway replacement
- D. Paul Ode Trail: New disc golf nets are being installed; equipment concerns

VIII. Review of Trails & Steward Reports

- 1. Wepawaug Conservation Area - Sharon Ewen / Scott Somerville
 - Status of historic informational plaque
- 2. Housatonic Overlook - Donna Wesolowski
- 3. Paul Ode Nature – Donna Wesolowski
- 4. Racebrook Tract - Cathy Anderson / Sharon Kahara
 - “Stay on Main Trail” signs installed at 3 Townline markers
 - Status of sign directing bicycle entry from parking lot, now that railing has been installed.
 - Status of Orange Foundation grant request for parking lot fence.
 - Status of new entry sign.
 - Kiosk – replacement of plexiglass on back side with hinge, for posting of notices.
 - Status of Racebrook Tract advertisement on Trailsfork.com for mountain biking.
- 5. Ewen Preserve – Sharon Ewen / Chantelle Bunnell
 - Status of new trail
- 6. Turkey Hill Preserve – Mike Ross / Scott Somerville
 - Tree down; 7/3 reported to Don Foyer

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7. Publicity – Website, FaceBook, Email, Orange Life; Orange Live – Chantelle Bunnell
 - Need to modify list of Nature Trails listing on Town website
 - Revisions to verbiage on Homepage of OCC website

IX. Calendar of Events

1. Orange Country Fair 9/16-9/17; Double-booth reservation submitted and paid
 2. Work Days – to be scheduled for Fall
 3. Programs – ongoing: CAPS monitoring for beetles and moths place traps in/at Racebrook Tract, Fred Wolfe Park Trail and Housatonic Overlook
 4. Hiking
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