

Mill Brook Watershed Management Committee

Minutes of 1/21/20 meeting

Present: Cindy Mitchell, Selena Roman, Brian Beall, Tim Boland , Bill Wilcox, Prudy Burt

Absent: Kristen Geagan

At this first meeting, members present engaged in a general discussion about next steps and goals.

While there was a brief discussion about appointing a chairperson, the committee decided not to do so at this time, but to work collaboratively.

Cindy shared copies of the 2018 application for Community Preservation Act funds, which outlined the project scope and goals based on the recommendations and conclusions in the June, 2018 Mill Brook Study Report and Recommendations.

An initial request of \$40,000 was put on the 2019 annual town meeting warrant by the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) with the understanding that additional funding would be sought on an ongoing basis. This money was approved by voters at town meeting last April.

For a variety of reasons, this committee wasn't appointed until late 2019, so this year's request to CPC was withdrawn.

Tim suggested that we compile a glossary of terms, re watersheds and study methodologies; Bill offered to start this before our next meeting.

Prudy asked members present to consider inviting David Bouck to join the committee; David has relevant knowledge of watershed related issues which would be a great help as this group moves forward on implementing tasks identified in the 2018 Mill Brook report. Members concurred and Prudy said that she would reach out to David (cc'ing Cindy) before our next meeting to invite him and suggest that he contact the board of selectmen about getting appointed.

Our next meeting date will be on February 3, 5 p.m., upstairs at town hall.

Submitted by Prudy Burt

Approved February 3, 2020