

Conservation commission Minutes; 9/25/17

Aaron, Butch, Isaac, Betsy & guest Ellen Hosford with the Tunbridge Walker's Group

Ellen began the meeting by presenting each of us with printed descriptions of four traditional Tunbridge walks. The walker's group has plans to compile these walk descriptions with maps into a small guide book. Isaac and Betsy offered assistance in compiling computer generated maps for use in the publication.

Ellen also included a list of tentative hikes and there was much discussion about the numerous local snow machine trails, legal trails, and class 4 roads in town and the legal status for access to those trails.

Aaron brought up the E-911 viewer on his lap top and demonstrated how to retrieve data on various trails used for emergency access including many local snow machine trails.

Michael Sacca's recommendations were discussed and we are in general agreement with this focus for the Commission. Aaron works with someone on the Hartland Conservation Commission and will ask more about what they have been working on.

Betsy brought documentation for three vernal pools in South Tunbridge. Discussion of the "Biofinder" website and compilation of wildlife data for Tunbridge was also reviewed. Further guidance is needed to determine the best way to compile this data with the goal of an improved database for wildlife corridors and wildlife population in Town.

The next meeting will be Monday, Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>.

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