

GRANVILLE TOWNSHIP LAND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
Minutes - April 11, 2012 meeting

ATTENDING: Greg Dixon, Richard Knisley, Andy McCall, Judy Preston, Grace Gordon and Mickey Smith

MEETING MINUTES: Minutes of the February 20, 2012 meeting were approved by e-mail and forwarded to the trustees and Land Trust representatives on March 7, 2012.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Greg and Mickey reported they had distributed notices to residents of the Spring Valley Drive area and talked with individuals about the planned paving of a four-car parking area adjacent to the Kiwanis Sugar Bush project.

PARKS AND TRAILS: Judy reported that though the official contract with the GRD has not been finalized, the District will assume repair of picnic tables and a variety of other tasks associated with the shelter houses. Trustee Paul Jenks has instructed us to send any reported maintenance needs to the District.

The GRD will see to having the front field mowed. Grace expressed a concern that the Vernal Pool area not be mowed at this time because of tadpole and other life currently developing in it. She will flag the pool to identify the space not to be mowed.

Greg will remove severe fallen tree debris currently obstructing one of the trail crossings. A variety of other trail and creek crossings will need to be repaired after this winter's weather. Judy told us she talked with GRD representative Andrew Wildman about the possibility of organizing a community-wide clean up day for the Preserve.

The old barn on the Preserve is scheduled to be demolished. Judy reminded Trustee Jenks that Trustee VanNess was talking to a local person about taking it down in exchange for the lumber from that barn.

Grace shared a draft map of the SVP trails currently being developed by a Denison class. Dr. Spiels had recommended that trail names be consolidated in order to make the map more readable. The committee agreed and proceeded to rename them. Grace will present the new plan and help finalize the project.

AGRICULTURE:

DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS: The trustees have asked that we check with county offices to confirm that contracts contrary to easement conditions on township owned easement parcels have not improperly been made by the land owners. This would become part of our regular review of the properties.

Judy reported that the trustees have approved the Homestead pond as was shown to the committee on its review walk.

Tentative CE inspections are scheduled for April 29, May 6 and May 20. Judy will arrange specific times with land owners.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting is scheduled for June 13, 2012.