

Charlotte Park and Wildlife Refuge Oversight Committee
Meeting Minutes
April 9, 2015

Members Present: Jessie Bradley, Jenny Cole, Mark Dillenbeck, Dorothy Hill, Bob Hyams, Sue Smith

Others: Tim Hunt

Public Comment: None

The Committee met with Tim Hunt to discuss his project at the Varney Farm. Several questions were conveyed to Tim ahead of the meeting. Discussion is summarized below.

1. Location of the property line: Tim says that no stakes exist for property lines, and he is not sure of exact location.
2. The Town's easement for park access and agricultural use: Tim acknowledged that the right-of-way exists, and expressed a willingness to honor it. He would like the recreational right-of-way and the farm access to stay north of barn and house. The land to the north is generally wet, but historically there has been an unimproved 'farm road' in that vicinity. Dorothy has personal knowledge of the historical road. The Committee and Tim agreed to meet to look at possible easement areas. Mark will communicate with Tim on a meeting date.
3. Possible damage to the farm field from construction of the Varney Farm wastewater system: This item was not discussed, but could be raised at a future site visit.
4. Parking area for park use and access: This was not specifically addressed, but was mentioned in passing during right-of-way discussion. The Vermont Land Trust has mapped a default location for parking. Dorothy raised concerns about controlling recreational access. Her concerns were acknowledged by all, and most feel that this should be taken up in a different discussion.

Tim asked for suggestions for agricultural use of the property. Little discussion ensued.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:30 p.m.