

Heath Conservation Commission (HCC)
Meeting Minutes
February 22, 2024

Call To Order: Meeting was called to order at 7:01PM.

Members Present: Brian DeVriese, Chair, Members: Kerrie McNay, Pam Porter, Heather Row

Others Present: HCC Consultant, Bill Latrell, also Michael Cucchiara (via Zoom) Heath Parks and Recreation Comm.

Michael Cucchiara explained the status of the grant for a trail groomer that P&R had received and the need to move quickly on the expenditure of funds.

Bill Latrell addressed the wetlands violations that were committed in the execution of the trail work. Culvert, filling and wooden walkway having been placed in a stream and adjacent wetland, undersized culvert placed on Flagg Hill extension road near former beaver dam area.

Bill suggested that the Town may be able to file a post-facto NOI and Order of Conditions for the work that was done. We did this for dam work that exceeded the amount proposed in the NOI filed by Mohawk Estates. Bill will discuss this with Mark Stinson at DEP.

It was noted that the Parks and Recreation Commission needed to hire a wetland scientist to delineate the wetland areas affected by the trail work.

Mike Cucchiara recounted the work that was done under the previous grant awards such as signage, trail markers, trail signage and gravel for the parking area at the trailhead. He also described goals for connecting the trail from Catamount State Forest through Heath and Rowe to the western portion of the Mohawk-Mohican Trail. This would be a 46 mile continuous trail.x

Motion to adjourn was made by Pam Porter, seconded by Heather Row. Passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:35.

Respectfully Submitted by
Brian De Vriese, HCC chair