



Town of Ashland

M A S S A C H U S E T T S

Town Forest Committee

Agenda

Wednesday, April 18, 2018

7:00 PM

Meeting Room A

Town Hall, 101 Main St, Ashland, MA 01721

Town Forest Committee Members:

Catherine Rooney, Chair

Bill Moulton, Member

Rob St. Germain, Member

Mike Jones, Member

1.

- A. Boy Scouts Bridge Engineering Specs discussion 25 minutes. I am asking for an engineering discussion so that we are prepared if we cannot raise the appropriate funds for the diamond piers, and the Boy Scout cannot do so either. Since the Boy Scouts must be finished with this project before their 18th birthday, we will need to have a Plan B that will fit into that time frame.

Approval of an Engineering Plan, with drawings and specifications.

Approval of a Budget /Timeline for Above Engineered Plan & Specifications, within the Boy Scouts time frame for completion, in documents for the meeting. Include any Town Departmental approvals, and timelines. 15 minutes

- B. Provide a separate list of Names, Addresses and Contact Information of Boy Scouts, their specific projects; their parent's names, and their Scout Leader's Name/Contact information. List of any other Scouts, and their projects and the same above Contact Information.

Discussion of any of these projects, and how they will tie into the Forest Stewardship Plan. 10 minutes

- C. Availability of Boy Scouts to meet with us in May – 2 meetings if necessary. At that first meeting: we will meet these boy scouts, their parents/leaders and discuss their projects with them. Then we can discuss a timeline that works for all of us, and start assembling a calendar of deliverables, which party is responsible for them, and get some idea of when work will begin and must be finished. 10 minutes.



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2. Announcements & Schedule – 10 minutes

Apr 14 (Saturday) -10am-12pm Walk to the Witches Caves (meet at the Red Trail parking lot).

May 5 (Saturday) – 9am-12 pm. Ashland GreenUp Day – Girl Scouts clean up the Town Forest – Meet at each trailhead, spend 90 minutes doing cleanup, then take a walk and do plant ID and orienteering with ATF maps. Each group has 2 adults, 6 kids plus one of us. SVT side has same with an SVT rep. Everyone will get a Trails brochure map, leaders will get Forest Stand brochure maps and Dog clean up brochures in addition to trail maps. Trash goes into bright yellow bags, recycling into green bags. Gloves (please bring for yourself otherwise I can supply), Layers of clothes, any snacks you might want. The town will supply water, which I will disperse to trailheads that AM. CR will take the Green Trails (as they are the worst -that area we are using 12 girls).

After 90 minutes, we will clean up from this activity, and move onto Plant ID and orienteering (basics on the maps). Vests will come from...

Sharps safety and other items with excrement etc.

Ashland Farmer's Market – Dog Day August 4 (Saturday), one more?

3.

- A. Approval for the submittal of a Road Opening Permit to the DPW for the Oregon Parking lot. 10 minutes
 - B. CPC Agreement; done needs to be signed by us. 10 minutes
 - C. Approval of any Minutes 10 minutes
4. Discussion of Main Forest CPC Grant – What has been spent in each Grant Category number, what specific expenses are coming up for each budget category, and what will remain, or come from another category number, in that 1st CPC grant. 20 minutes
5. New Business – Public Lands Preservation Act – Approve a Motion to support. 10 minutes
- If time allows: same discussion above as we plan for work on Clark/Oak St. CPC Forest Grant.
6. Be prepared to discuss your availability in May for meetings and workshops.

This agenda is subject to change and includes those items reasonably anticipated by the Chair to be discussed at the meeting. Not all agenda items may in fact be discussed, and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.