

Amherst Woods Homeowners Association

Board of Trustees

Minutes, December 13, 2021

Present: Peter Berek (Chair), Jim Barnhill, , Martha Hanner, Ralph Lowen, Jack Mattrey, Betsy Mullins, Wade Elmore, Jane Sheffler, and Doug Gagnon. Gigi Barnhill attended, also.

Peter Berek opened the meeting via Zoom at 7:34 PM, with introductions all around.

Introduction of Jane Sheffler and Wade Elmore

Jane has lived on Woodlot since the end of the summer, and has lived in town for a few years. She has 3 kids, a five year old and one year old twins. Wade and his wife moved here during the summer; they have twins in kindergarten (five years old).

Moving forward with new quorum rules

Jim explained the procedure. First, the bylaws allow any five members can call special meetings. We will have an initial meeting to change the quorum. We accomplish that by having five members call a meeting, then send a first notice to all members with the exact change in the bylaws being proposed, at least two weeks in advance, then meet to vote on reducing the quorum requirement. We need to call a second meeting to be held after the change in quorum. We should also send reminders.

The first meeting was set for January 12, 2022, and the second, to elect Officers and Trustees, was set for January 26. Jim recommended that the new officers and Trustees ratify what was done up to the meeting. Jim agreed to prepare the necessary paperwork. Betsy volunteered to send the notices of the meeting once Jim signs them.

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The matter was referred to the Landscape Committee. It can present a proposal to the Trustees for approval.

Sidewalks

The Trustees felt we should not get involved, because it is a town owned property. That does not mean the Trustees felt that individual property owners should be similarly constrained.

Robert Frost Trail boardwalks

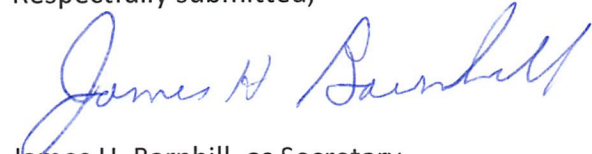
This refers to the section of the Robert Frost Trail between Woodlot and Station Road. Some of Boardwalk ramps are not finished. The boardwalks themselves mostly are fine. Some of the boardwalks are installed over AWHHA land. Thus, it is logical for AWHHA to become involved.

The trustees felt that someone should contact Conservation Committee. Gigi Barnhill volunteered to inspect the boardwalks and notify Dave Ziomek if warranted, mentioning any dangerous conditions.

It was agreed that after officers are elected, meetings should be held only when helpful to the officers, not on a standard, scheduled basis.

The meeting adjourned at 8:23 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "James H. Barnhill". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

James H. Barnhill, as Secretary