

Committee Progress Report

For Spring & Annual meetings and Newsletter

Committee	Committee Chair	Year	Jan-Apr	May-Aug	Sept-Dec
Forest Management and Trail Sub Committee	Lise LeTellier	2024	X		

Accomplishment for the time period

FMC:

- DCR Climate Forestry Cost-Share Grant was approved for \$3,500. Cost is \$7,000.
- Application to the Conservation Stewardship Program with NRSC completed. Met with NRCS to give overview of our property and our plans.
- Date set (August 3) for a Dynamic and Resilient Forest Workshop
- Submitted budget requests

Trail Committee:

- Held Community meetings on trail concerns.
- Submitted and revised budget request due to new ideas and plans and concern of costs.
- Held first of a series of guided hikes. (snow!!)

Focus for upcoming Time period

FMC:

- Adam Brown- Shire Forestry will begin the data collection process for our new Climate Assessment Stewardship Plan.
- Awaiting Conservation Stewardship Program NRSC acceptance announcement:
- Total Estimated Payment possible over a 5 years period of time is \$30,155.11.
 - Will announce at the Spring meeting if we have heard.
 - Committee will discuss requirements and general priorities for the yearly grant money
- Plan for Dynamic and Resilient Forest Workshop on August 3
- Work on invasive plant removal along roads and in Meadow.

Trail Committee:

- Reroute north section of McKay Trail around and away from brook.
- Work on Dam Entrance trail with wooden Cookie and some stone steps.

Issues or Challenges to be relayed to Board

Many in the community still struggle with the understanding of the complex interactions between the forest and the ponds and overall forest dynamics. Education is a priority.