

## Sharon Conservation Commission

# 8/21/22

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Downer Forest, 9 am - 4 pm

## ATTENDEES

Mike Zwikelmaier, Samuel Brakeley, Dick Ruben, Dan Deneen, Scott Chesnut, Luis Bango

## AGENDA

### Last Meeting Follow-up

No follow-up items.

### New Business

- Sam Brakeley met with Brian Renfro from the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources and walked the proposed new loop trail in the Downer Forest annex plot. He also reported that the Catamount Trail Association is interested in sponsoring the trails to help with creation and maintenance. These are to be ski trails like the existing ones. A work day will be planned for fall.
- Dick Ruben reported that there will be a potluck and walk in the Ashley Forest on 9/11.
- Mike Zwikelmaier mentioned wanting to create a Green Up Day Committee as a separate entity from the Conservation Commission. Donna Foster and Steve Gagliadorne have expressed interest.
- Scott Chesnut talked with Greg Elder about creating a sign for the John Sears Memorial Trails, which will be attached to the new kiosk.

## NOTES

- Today was a work day led by Sam Brakeley, building the trailhead kiosk near the Downer Forest entrance. The kiosk commemorates the John Sears Memorial Trails and is at the head of the Center Trail. The kiosk looks great! The Conservation Commission was joined by Luis Bango, who told us that he and his wife are interested in joining the Commission.



## ACTION ITEMS

- Scott Chesnut will contact Brain Renfro about acquiring a map for the kiosk.
- Scott will also contact Nicola Shipman about adding a map and some information about John on the town website.
- Scott will follow up with Greg about the sign.
- Mike Zwikelmaier will contact Janet Sears about the timing of the dedication and who she would like to attend.
- Mike and Dick will meet with the Selectboard for a discussion about the Conservation Commission.