

Open Space meeting (virtual)
September 14, 2023

Fleischaker called meeting to order at 1:03pm

Present: Barbara Bigelow, Gail Fleischaker, Penny Jaques

Proposal to co-sponsor 4 seasonal trail walks with Recreation Committee

- Concept: to conduct 4 walks, with one focused on accessibility
- 1st walk planned for October 1st with Barbara Bigelow leading at Julian's Bower (contingent on conditions of boardwalk)
- Unanimous vote to co-sponsor. Will meet with recreation Committee later to iron out details

Jaques suggested another series "nature of Shutesbury," focusing on Shutesbury's nature – bird watching, mushroom, early-spring wildflowers, ferns, etc.

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- Both Recreation and Open Space Committees are interested in participating, but one-week's notice is too short for committees to meet to discuss, as required under Open Meeting Law. Bigelow will share this with Matteo Pangallo for both committees.

Jaques has authored an article on Top of the Lake project to appear in the upcoming *Our Town Newsletter*.

Motion to approve minutes, seconded. Approved: Bigelow aye, Fleischaker, aye, Jaques, aye.

Meeting adjourned: 1:33pm