

Nahaco Commission Minutes for June 4, 2014
Meeting held at Camp Nahaco Dining Hall
Submitted by Daniel Murphy on June 5, 2014

Members Present: Mary Ellen Ellsworth, Gary Kendrick, Missy Vincent, Chuck Lee, Tony Perreault, Dick Woodward, Beach Baywood (7:21), Sam Asikainen (7:37).
Members Absent: Philippa Paquette, Tom Hawkins.
Guests: Rob Davis (7:27)

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:03.
2. Motion: To seat Missy Vincent. Chuck Lee, seconded by Mary Ellen Ellsworth. Unanimous.
3. Motion: To approve the minutes of May 7 with amendments to items 5B, 6C, 10A, 10C, 10D, 11, and 14. Chuck Lee, seconded by Missy Vincent. Unanimous.
4. There was no public participation.
5. A. It was reported that the Eastford 3rd graders and the BMW group enjoyed their May stays at Nahaco Park.
B. It was reported that the Pot Luck honoring EIFC members is on.
C. It was reported that Deb Lee and Ralph Yulo are leading the June 21 Walk and Program identifying aquatic organisms for the Eastford Conservation Commission.
D. According to the *Eastford Communicator*, the Eastford Seniors July 12 event at Nahaco Park is “wildly anticipated.”
E. It was reported that the October 19 LGV Walktober event is being sponsored by the Eastford Conservation Commission and the Nahaco Commission.
6. A. There was no update on the trails, pump house, or dining hall windows.
B. It was reported that Alan Walker contacted Mary Ellen Ellsworth about using a truck bucket from Woodstock Public Works to further the tree-trimming project. The Commission hopes to see the project completed soon and Dick Woodward will pursue Alan Walker about obtaining the bucket truck.
C. Beach Baywood will report the Energy Use Data for Nahaco Park to Art Broder.
D. There is a full report of Nahaco’s May 3 Spring Volunteer Day in the “Nahaco News” courtesy of Mary Ellen Ellsworth.
7. The Nahaco Fund balance for April 2014 was \$19,921.84.
8. A. It was reported that neither Woodstock nor Eastford will make any additional financial allowances to the Nahaco Commission for the fiscal year 2014-2015.
B. It was reported that Nahaco Park has been included in Eastford’s 5-year Capital Improvements plan and that the hope is for Woodstock to follow suit.
C. Daniel Murphy will establish a Facebook page for Nahaco Park.
D. The Commission discussed appealing for private donations via gofundme, a website investigated and found to be a plausible option for fundraising by Gary Kendrick.
9. A. Tom Hawkins, Gary Kendrick, Rob Davis, and possibly Dick Woodward will be attending the Day Camp at Crystal Pond Setup Day on July 1.
10. B. Water to the Arts and Crafts cabin and Upper Playing Fields is nearly resolved and the sink found on Volunteer Day will be installed behind the Arts and Crafts building.

C. The porta potties have been placed.

D. It was reported that the full staff of the day camp has been hired and that camper registration is going extremely well – there is limited space remaining.

10. Rob Davis will be putting up the “Carry in, Carry out” signs by June 5.

11. Gary Kendrick, Dick Woodward, and Rob Davis will install the Acknowledgement of Aid to Nahaco Park sign by June 14.

12. There was no update on the paintings.

13. Mary Ellen Ellsworth will be present at Eastford Heritage Day on June 14 and manning an informational booth with handouts including FAQs, maps of Nahaco Park, and a donation pail.

14. Daniel Murphy will pursue a replacement secretary and a notice will be posted in the “Nahaco News.”

15. It was reported that Mary Ellen Ellsworth emailed the Woodstock and Eastford selectmen notifying them that the Nahaco Commission has a full membership.

16. Motion: To unseat Missy Vincent and seat Sam Asikainen. Mary Ellen Ellsworth, seconded by Beach Baywood. Unanimous.

Motion: For Rob Davis to move forward in demolishing the buildings across the bridge, completing the demolition of the building in worse condition by July 2. Chuck Lee, seconded by Dick Woodward. Unanimous, with Tony Perreault abstaining.

17. It was reported that the Community Service Initiative has proven mutually beneficial for the Commission and the individuals volunteering at the park. The Commission will come up with more projects to meet the growing demand for community service hours.

Motion: To allow Rob Davis’ associate to trim trees on the section of Walker Lane that is Nahaco’s property for volunteer hours. Sam Asikainen, seconded by Beach Baywood. Unanimous.

18. There were no further items needing to come before the Commission.

19. The meeting was adjourned at 8:35.