

**VISION 2020 ENVIRONMENT TASK GROUP  
NOVEMBER 1, 2016 MEETING**

**SPY POND COMMITTEE  
Town Hall Annex, First Floor**

**In attendance:** Brad Barber, Bill Eykamp, Jane Howard, Stroker Rogovin, Cheryl Miller, Ben Ferber, Agnes O'Donnell, Harriet Noyes, Bob Noyes

**Facilitator:** Brad Barber

**Minutes:** Brad Barber

**2016 meetings:** 7:30 p.m. first Tuesdays, Town Hall Annex, first floor.

**2016 dates:** Dec. 6. **2017 dates:** Jan. 3, Feb. 7, Mar. 7, Apr. 4, May 2, June 5

- **Erosion control on Elizabeth Island.** The AMC trails crew is camping on Elizabeth Island from 10/31 to 11/4. They will build two stairs for ascending and descending the island.
- **Report on Spy Pond Edge Protection and Erosion Feasibility Study.** The Conservation Commission held their first public meeting. Two more are scheduled for Nov. 17 and Dec. 1. Cheryl, Ben, and Brad attended the meeting. They discussed erosion and public access at Scannell Field, Spy Pond Park, west of the Boys and Girls Club, and Spring Valley Road. At our meeting, Ben suggested pre-approved plans for abutters.
- **47 Spy Pond Lane.** The Conservation Commission denied the applications as submitted.
- **Phragmites treatment and botanist visit.** Brad reported on Solitude Lake Management's treatment of phragmites and the visit by Amanda Weise to protect Englemann's Umbrella Sedge. This will be the last treatment for a while. Amanda noted narrow leaf cattail and an invasive willow.
- **2017 Trials Day.** May 13 is the date. Brad will contact the Belmont-Arlington Crew.
- **New England Botanical Club.** Over a thousand meetings so far. They meet at the Harvard Geological department once a month or so. The last meeting was on control of invasives and diseases near England's Land's End.