

**Hoppers Birge Pond Nature Preserve Committee Agenda Wednesday, Sept. 22, 2021 Executive Meeting Room 7:15PM \*\*\*PLEASE NOTE NEW START TIME\*\*\***

**111 North Main Street Bristol, CT**

**Public Participation:**

**Discussion of future of Hoppers Sub-Committee.** Possible transition to private group, *Friends of the Hoppers* under consideration.

**Discussion of 2022 meeting schedule.** 1. Review of 2022 meeting schedule dates and times. 2. Attendance at other board meetings as needed including coverage for Park Board meetings. 3. Committee positions/new members.

**Discussion of nomination of specific Hoppers geologic features** to state of Ct register of historic sites. Suggested nomination to include grouping of all significant geological features (kames, kettles, eskers).

**Trail marking proposal.** Review of decision to blaze various trail systems and to coordinate trail markings with current maps. It has been noted that current trail markings have weathered and are unclear and/or confusing.

**Discussion of illegal motorized vehicles** traversing the Hoppers and causing trail erosion. Suggestions for curbing unauthorized use.

**Boats and watercraft.** Suggested that signage be provided advising boat owners to clean the hulls of all boats and watercraft of possible invasive species before launching.

**Events planning for 2022**

**Main Street grants program: Review of committee application for grant/discussion of city assistance for application in 2022**

Any other Misc./business from Committee Members.

John Schissler, Chairman,  
Hoppers Birge Pond Nature Preserve Committee