

**Camp Aya - Po Strategic Planning Committee  
Minutes  
Wednesday, May 18, 2016  
Somers Town Hall Lower Level Conference Room  
7:00 pm**

**Call to Order:** Chairman Brad Pellissier called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

**Members Present:** Timothy Welch, Michelle Young, Patricia Loftus, Tim Kradas, Paul Rasic, Dave Arnold, Barbara Anderson (guest from Open Space Trails), Ann Moser (guest from Open Space Trails) and Tom Van Tassel.

Brad Pellissier opened the discussion regarding the survey and immediately a lively discussion ensued.

Survey results and suggestions included:

- Clearing all the buildings and leaving the bell as a ñmemorialö
- Talking with builders to better understand what might be preserved, or if preservation is even an option
- Modeling Camp AyaPo after facilities surrounding towns are managing successfully ó Sunrise Park in Suffield, Henry and Newhoca Parks in Vernon, Sandy Beach
- Insuring educational opportunities
- Creating an open air kiosk with educational pamphlets, maps, etc

Ann Moser invited the committee to participate in a newsletter with the Open Space/Trails committee. Brad suggested weöd be happy to at a later date when we have more definite information to share.

The next meeting will focus on committee members prepared to bring their thoughts on: do we clear all and start from scratch?, do we preserve any existing building?, do we have a completely new vision?

The committee agreed to append the survey results to the minutes.

There was no new business.

**Minutes of April 20, 2016 Meeting:**

**Motion:** T. Van Tassel **Second:** P. Rasic to approve minutes. Passed unanimously.

**Adjournment: 8:23 P.M. Motion: T. Welch. Second: P. Rasic. Passed**  
unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Young  
Camp Aya Po Strategic Planning Committee  
Secretary