

RECREATIONAL TRAILS COMMITTEE
Town Hall 870 Moraine Street Marshfield, MA
Wednesday, April 28, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE: Brendan Coyne, Steve Goodhue, Ned Bangs, and Keith Rice

GUESTS: Angela Scieszka

ADVISORS: Greg Guimond

FRIENDS: Andrea Miller, Mary Lamrock

Open Meeting: April 28th, 2021, at 7pm

Brendan made a motion to start the meeting at 7:09. Steve second.

Ned: aye

Steve: aye,

Keith: aye

Brendan aye, unanimous

Old Business

Approval of March 24th, 2021 meeting minutes

In March minutes add “after last meeting in Webster.” Remove “Little” from the minutes.

Brendan made a motion to approve minutes as amended. Second Keith.

Roll call:

Ned aye

Steve: aye

Keith: aye

Brendan: aye. Unanimous

Updates:

Pratt, Webster, John Little

Steve mentioned Greg is going to wrap up the panels for Webster Wilderness and Pratt next week. Greg is ready to install. Steve to coordinate with Keith and potentially Bert and Bill Grafton to oversee the install (maybe Tom Grelan as well). Ned mentioned an unveiling for Pratt and Webster’s Wilderness. John Little Steve working with Brenner. Holding on John Little. Angela sent out printouts for neighborhood trail kiosks and Rail Trail and talked about a smaller sized kiosk there (Pratt and Webster).

Rail Trail (CVS to South River) & Bridle Path (horse friendly)

On Rail Trail the kiosk is up for CVS and South River. Greg mentioned that Rail Trail South to go to Careswell Street. Conversation ensued about plans to extend Rail Trail south to Duxbury. Angela asked for committee to update information pertaining to Rail Trail and Bridle Path. Steve mentioned stonedust from CVS to Station is 100% complete. Waiting on one or two invoices to come in before we get the money from DCR. Greg mentioned that we still need to take a bit more stonedust off of the curve from the south side (shoulder near fairgrounds). Wayne had said there was some leftover money from stonedust where pavement ends; a triangle of stonedust not at correct depth we could dress up and get rid of that vegetation. State has announced shared streets and spaces program; Karen is working on an application for six solar-panel flashing pedestrian signs for Ferry, Claypit Road, and South River Street as well as twenty bollards at South River street area. Greg to submit; deadline is 21st of May. RTC to send a letter of support for shared streets program.

Brendan makes a motion if there are sufficient funds conditional vote to fix triangular patch before bridge and after CVS. Keith seconds. Discussion from Ned; while Wayne is there in the parking lot there is a parking space and grass; could Wayne do that section? Greg said no because portion of CVS' property. Need CVS' permission. Ned said if have money move forward. Greg mentioned that project needs to be complete by 12/31/21.

Ned: aye

Steve: aye

Keith: aye

Brendan: aye. Unanimous.

Bench for Webster Update

Greg walked Webster, near two sights near Ned's Pipe which is a place to sit halfway through trail. Sitting on bench will be able to see all three trails. Other bench is near other Willy's Jeep. Maximize safety and visibility. To put in concrete base and indestructible as possible. Carol will be getting the benches in for us.

Brief introduction to Andre and Mary who enjoy beauty and clearing up trails; one to two hours per week, about sixteen hours pruning clipping and pick up trash. Lot of people stop and thank and help. Feel the need to have more trash bins and signage; leave no trace, carry in carry out and pet waste bags. Couch Cemetery less trash with trash barrels. Need for more trail signage. Bridges need repair. Fallen trees Mary sends pictures to Ned. Trying to put together a more concrete list of the needs that we do see. Very thrilled of the cleaning up of the barn foundation. Trash pickup is needed. Ned mentioned their hep is positive and the citizens are seeing and helping and it is all great work and the RTC is just not one committee but an entire force of individuals. Time Ned is out they will be the

big cheese and work and Ned to send to Bill. RTC thank them for their continued efforts to keep Marshfield conservation and trail systems pristine.

Ned made a motion for Mary and Andrea assume his role of trail crew while he is out on medical leave. Steve seconded.

Ned: aye

Steve: aye

Keith: aye

Brendan: aye. Unanimous.

Adelaide Easement

Shifting of easement because driveway is in wetlands; minor shifting of seven or eight feet and a gradual shift. A lot of correspondence with individual at top of Adelaide. Bill working on finalizing concrete posts for driveway on lot fourteen out back when the RTC walked it. Yellow trail not cut yet.

AARP- grant

Next year project.

We Are Marshfield- work day

Ned cancelled because no folks were able to commit and he cannot be there due to medical leave.

Eversource- application

Greg still working on application with Ned's documents.

CPC- suggestions for grant application

Ned mentioned that he put in some suggestions for CPC application. Working on bridge. Pieces if we want to get in an application and come back with ideas to the committee. Steve mentioned that we should get a name of a few projects.

Dog Waste

Ned mentioned a potential test run on Rail Trail. Stations at either end. Could be part of CPC component.

New Business

Next Project

We are going to think of creative ideas to bring back to next meeting.

Community Input

Andrea and Mary.

Correspondence

None.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 19th at 7pm.

Adjournment

Brendan makes motion to adjourn at 8:31pm. Keith seconds.

Ned: aye

Steve: aye

Keith: aye

Brendan: aye. Unanimous.