

RECREATION TRAILS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

MARSHFIELD TOWN HALL

PLANNING BOARD ROOM

January 10, 2023

Meeting CTO: 7:01 PM Motion to open, Keith, 2nd Scott, vote unanimous

Present: Ned Bangs, Keith Rice, Scott DeCastro,

Absent: Brendan Coyne

Guests: Angela Scieszka, Mike Arsenault, Make Skalla, Jeff Wilson, Steve Joyce

Advisors: None

Old Business

Minutes –September 13, October 11, 17, 2022, and January 10 table till February 14th meeting

Eversource – table till February Meeting

Furnace Brook Watershed – Ned updates

Kiosk, location has been marked, Dig Safe to survey January 13, MHS High School to install kiosk and roof the following week, weather permitting.

Trail work will be 2 phase. Phase 1 Red Trail, Saint Christine to School Street, replace worn out bog boards and benches with new ones. Need to measure the area and determine the number of board feet needed and cost. Jeff Wilson to help measure area. Then Ned will get a price quote and set up a work day (s) with Jeff and other volunteers

Phase 2- Working with John Zimmer for a NOI, new entrance and loop trails.

Conservation Commission has granted approval for phase 1. Approval letter to follow.

Gangway- Table till February Meeting

Fall 2022 Town Meeting –
Plan for Harbor Park Trail is defeated.

Trail Ambassadors –
2022 trail work finished November 1. Ned is working on new members and April trail work start date.

Rail Trail/Bridle Path –
Angela provided an update on the panels. Delivery should be in a few more weeks, around the end of January 2023.

Red Gold Farm –Table till February

RTC write up – Keith will present at February meeting.

Couch Beach – Discuss with Conservation, possible location for picnic table. We need a way to secure the table so it is not removed.

MHS Green Team-HS Club is interested in helping to maintain a trail or two, using hand tools only. They want to get involved and help out. Ned to follow up.

Cub Scout Pack 97 –Helped with the annual late fall (November 6th) clean up of Rail Trail and Pratt Farm.

New Business:

Budget- Ned proposes brief sharing of budget information and finances with RTC on a monthly basis. Ned will share info with Scott so two members are always knowledgeable on finances.

Gift Account: Ned to work with Town Treasurer and Accountant to set up a Gift and Donation Account which will accept both general donation and specific donations. We will start with the donation of \$700.00, balance from the fall 2022 mountain bike race.

PED Lights –Lights at South River Street are not working, one light at Ferry Street was knocked down by a vehicle. Ned has contacted Facilities Department, they will follow up.

Carolina Hill Mountain Bike Race. Will be Sunday, June 25. Registration limited to 150 riders. The initial race was well received. Motion by Keith, second Ned. Unanimous.

Senior Tax Program- Applicants can pick up their paper work at the COA. Look for an April start date.

New Members- Several guests appeared and sat in on the meeting. Hopefully more interest will be generated.

Trail Heads – Ferry, John Little and the lot on 3A, by ABC Supply. The parking lots need fill to make level. Ned spoke with Tom Reynolds, DPW Supt., will follow up the first week in February.

Open Space – Ned voted as the RTC liaison.

Safety Classes – Stop the Bleed was very successful. Ned will try and set up a CPR and First Aid class for the spring.

RTC Advisor – We lost Bill Grafton, our Conservation Advisor, as he took a new job. Ned will ask Mike Seele, the present Conservation Agent if he is able to assist.

Correspondence:

– Ned passed around correspondence relating to the donation and gift accounts and donations from the bike race.

Community Input- Steve Joyce stated that he has a first aid would like to donate a first aid kit to the RTC.

Next Meeting: – Tuesday, February 14, 7:00 p.m.

Motion to Adjourn, Ned, and second Keith, Unanimous
Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm

Minutes submitted by Keith Rice and Ned Bangs