

RECREATIONAL TRAILS COMMITTEE Minutes – June 14, 2017 – Town Hall, Marshfield

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:02pm

IN ATTENDANCE : Ned Bangs, Linda Cincotti, Greg Guimond, Vicki McPherson, Keith Rice, Roger Whidden, Burt O'Donnell & Bill Grafton

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: The Minutes of the 5/31/17 meeting were unanimously accepted with the exception of including the motion to appoint Linda Cincotti as Chairperson, Vicki McPherson as Vice Chairperson and Roger Whidden as Secretary, which had a unanimous approval.

OLD BUSINESS: Samantha Woods of NSRWA spoke of desire to work in partnership with our committee. She cited the mutual general goals of the NSRWA and the RTC. Samantha also made available some of their resources should we need them. Specifically, they are working with Eagle Scout, Ben Sleeper on the South River sign and agreed to guide him in alignment with our sign template.

Greg updated us on the trails maps as using PDF.

Roger suggested the need to have a proposed kiosk at the present CVS trail sign to be in bold print. It would need to be recognizable by motorists from both directions on Rte 139 as well as from the head of Webster St. A double sided sign would be necessary. There was much discussion as to adapting our one sided template sign. We agreed that it could be easily completed. Greg agreed to discuss the moving of the present sign with CVS. Linda asked for specs on signage info material. Ned reminded us that we agreed to follow the Hoyt-Hall trailhead kiosk template. Bill displayed an enlarged map of the portion of the rail trail under discussion – from CVS to South River Rd. as well as the Pratt property. We discussed the content of the sign especially as to rules & regs. Ned noted that a small sign at the entrance to the Pratt property off the rail trail plus a kiosk at the Willow St. parking lot is necessary. Keith motioned for the acceptance of the double-sided sign. It was unanimously approved. Linda motioned for the two Pratt signs to be accepted also. They were unanimously approved. Burt reminded us that we need to shoot for a presentation at the August town meeting. He emphasized that we need to be specific about what we want, then, we could secure bids.

Motion to approve Steve Goodhue as a new member was approved.

NEW BUSINESS: Linda promoted the DCR trails conference 11/3&4. She also wanted us to consider the next steps regarding the Carreiro trail. Our Chairperson would like to establish an “adopt a committee” process with our group too.

ADJOURNMENT: The next meeting will be Wednesday, June 28 @ 7pm. Meeting was closed at 9:14

HANDOUTS: Ms. Woods made NSRWA materials available. Mr. Bangs offered his printed thoughts on signage language as well as Marshfield Rules & Regs for use of Conversation Lands to each member.

Submitted: Roger Whidden