Town of Lebanon Rails to Trails Committee Monday October 5, 2009

MINUTES

Members present: Donna Koenig, Naomi Davidson, Christine Witkowski, Kent Sleath, Nusie Halpine,

Peter Gandelman

Alternates: Walter Miller (Stefan Szafarek), Laura Cascio (Mary Withey)
Members absent: Mike Lambert, Stefan Szafarek, Mary Withey, Bruce Sievers

1.0 Opening Business

1.1 Call to Order: 6:35 P.M.

1.2 Reading and Acceptance of Minutes of September 14, 2009

Two corrections were noted:

(1) Section 2.1, "Laurier" should read "Laurie"

(2) Section 2.1, "Donna will sent" should read "Donna will send"

Donna will make the corrections and re-submit the minutes.

Naomi made a motion that the minutes of September 14, 2009 be accepted as amended. Nusie seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

1.3 Eagle Scout Proposal by Derek Perkins

Derek Perkins was not present at the meeting.

2.0 Old Business

2.1 Status of Grants

Paperwork has been received by the town and must be accepted by Board of Selectmen. After the paperwork is sent back to the state, should take several weeks to process before the money (\$132,495).

2.2 Status of Spending/Reimbursement of Grant Money

Kent reported submitting paperwork for reimbursement of monies spent on Sections 3 & 4.

2.3 Discussion of Progress on Sections 3 & 4

No new work. Stone dusting cannot be completed until grant money comes through. Nusie reported contacting Art Stone (Director) at the Alternative Incarceration Center in Windham for help on painting the gates. Art will contact Donna directly to make arrangements.

2.4 Revisions for Bid Specifications, Bid Sheets, and Contracts

Christine has not yet reviewed previous bid sheets for suggested changes but will do so as soon as possible and send out ideas for review by email.

3.0 New Business

3.1 Correspondence Received

None received.

3.2 Standardization of signs and funding

Christine reported that the DEP Air Line Trail Sign Committee will meet this week to

discuss standardization and funding. She will be attending this meeting and will report back with any new information.

Scott Dawley of DEP will provide signs for gates, road crossings and mileage to Donna.

Boy Scout Derek Perkins spoke with Donna about putting up the signs as an Eagle Scout project; Laura Cascio has agreed to coordinate with him.

Peter mentioned the danger of pulling out onto Route 207 from the parking area at the Section 1 trailhead. Naomi will email Laurie Gionnotti with a copy to the Town of Hebron to see what can be done.

3.3 Change of December Meeting

Note that the December 14th meeting will be held at the Community Center. Also, an Acting Secretary will be needed to fill in for Christine at the November meeting.

3.4 Remediation of Sections 6 & 7

Kent has walked these sections and written up a list of suggestions. Donna suggested that all committee members also walk Sections 6 & 7 to make further suggestions about what needs to be done, particularly with the ramp at Kingsley and the standing water between Village Hill Road and Kingsley.

4.0 Motion to Adjourn

Christine made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 PM. Kent seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted, Christine Witkowski Secretary