# Town of Lebanon Rails to Trails Committee Monday December 14, 2009

### **MINUTES**

Members present: Donna Koenig, Naomi Davidson, Christine Witkowski, Mary Withey, Nusie Halpine,

Alternates: Bruce Sievers (Peter Gandelman), Walter Miller (Stefan Szafarek)

Members absent: Kent Sleath, Mike Lambert, Stefan Szafarek, Peter Gandelman, Laura Cascio

### 1.0 Opening Business

1.1 Call to Order: 6:39 P.M.

1.2 Reading and Acceptance of Minutes of November 9, 2009

Bruce made a motion that the minutes of November 9, 2009 be accepted as read. Nusie seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

1.3 Update on Eagle Scout Project by Derek Perkins

Donna reported that Laura Cascio will order the materials for the project through Willard's in Willimantic, and Derek will pick up from there.

#### 2.0 Old Business

2.1 Status of Grants

Grant money was received the second week of November (\$132,495); Donna was then able to contact Tom to begin stonedusting on Sections 3 and 4.

2.2 Status of Spending/Reimbursement of Grant Money

No new spending.

Naomi noted that again this year the DEP Grant Committee did not approve money for the DEP to survey or improve Section 5.

2.3 Discussion of Progress on Sections 3 & 4

New crossing signs are installed.

Section 3 stonedusting is completed and rolled, although the stonedusting has created a hazard in the Chesbro parking area. Donna will contact the town (Tom) about the hazard.

Donna cleaned up the trail after recent storms.

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 before the next meeting.

#### 3.0 New Business

3.1 Correspondence Received

None received.

3.2 Discussion of Remediation of Sections 6 & 7

Kent has provided the committee with written comments regarding work needed on Sections 6 & 7, including suggestions for addressing a number of wet spots.

Nusie reported that the corner on Kingsley Road where the trail crosses is very

dangerous and will probably need guardrails and signs. Donna will mention this to Tom.

Tom has cleaned out brush and nearby residents have been spoken to about dumping on the trial.

The town will do rough ramps for these sections.

## 3.3 Discussion of Parking Area at Route 207

Naomi emailed DOT (copy to Joyce in Hebron) regarding safety issues at the Route 207 parking area. The email was being forward to traffic engineering and a response was expected within a week.

# 4.0 Motion to Adjourn

Bruce made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 PM. Mary seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted, Christine Witkowski Secretary