

Town of Lebanon
Rails to Trails Committee
Monday April 14, 2008

MINUTES

1.0 Opening Business

1.1 Call to Order: 6:35 PM

Members present: Kent Sleath, Naomi Davidson, Mary Withey, Christine Witkowski and Donna Koenig Alternates: Walter Miller. (Peter Gandelman)
Members absent: Peter Gandelman, Stefan Szafarek, Mike Lambert, Nusie Halpine and Bruce Sievers

1.2 Reading and Acceptance of Minutes of March 10, 2008:

Christine made a motion that the minutes be accepted as read. Mary seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

2.0 Old Business

2.1 Status of grants:

Kent reported that both grants for phase 5 and phase 6 were awarded in March. We now have an additional \$100,000.00 available to do further work on the trail.

2.2 Status of spending/ reimbursement of grant money: No Change

2.3 Section 2 Grading/ditches:

Donna had talked to Ron Ives today. He is still experiencing too much pain to be able to work on a bulldozer. He had checked section 2 and felt that it was still too wet to work on. He felt that no other Highway Department employee would be able to do run the bulldozer efficiently. We will have to wait and see how Ron is feeling in the near future.

2.4 Bridge at Village Hill:

Bruce was not present; however, he had spoken to Naomi and told her he was still waiting for some of the quotes on the materials. If he is able to obtain these quickly, we may have to call a special meeting to vote on the purchase of the bridge materials.

2.5 Greenways Small Grants/ Trail Signs:

Christine had received information concerning a grant application from the Kodak American Greenways Award. She will collect the information necessary to apply for this grant. The thought is to provide signage and benches for the trail.

3.0 New Business

3.1 Earth Day Trail Clean-up:

Christine has contacted the Boy Scout Troop that is in charge of the Earth Day Clean-up. She will make a poster noting that we will meet at the Leonards Bridge Road crossing at 8:00 AM on Saturday April 26, 2008. We need people to pick up any litter that is on the trail as well as people to help remove fallen debris from the ditches. Mary and Donna will be there as well as any other member who is able to attend.

3.2 Section 3-7:

Ron Ives, Donna and Kent will look at sections 3 and 4 this week to determine which trees must be removed to allow equipment in. We will check with Ron to see what he feels is necessary to complete these sections.

It was felt that since we have the additional grant monies we should move ahead and hire a contractor to do sections 3 and 4 as well as the necessary ramps.

3.3 Correspondence Received: None

4.0 Motion to adjourn:

Christine made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 PM and it was seconded by Walt. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna C. Koenig