

Town of Lebanon  
Rails to Trails Committee  
Monday August 13, 2012  
MINUTES

Members present: Donna Koenig, Mary Withey, Naomi Davidson, Bruce Sievers and Mark Fitton

Alternates: Walt Miller (Christine Witkowski)

Members absent: Mike Lambert, Nusie Halpine, Peter Gandelman and Christine Witkowski

### 1.0 Opening Business

1.1 Call to Order: 6:29 P.M.

1.2 Welcome to Guests: None

1.3 Reading and Acceptance of Minutes of May 14, 2012 meeting:

**Mary made a motion that the minutes of the May 14, 2012 be accepted with the following correction, adjournment time to read 7:36 PM. Naomi seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

### 2.0 Old Business

2.1 Updates concerning section 5:

A meeting will be held on Fri. August 17, 2012 with DEEP officials, Laurie Giannotti and Scott Dawley along with Lorraine Andrews and Keith Sczurek to review the DEEP plan for section 5.

The Engineering plans are ready for section 5 and after a discussion of the plan; Laurie expects the work will begin very quickly.

Mary had noticed large tire indentations on section 5. Donna felt that this was DEEP mowing the trail.

2.2 Status of Spending/Reimbursement of Grant Money:

There has been no spending during this period. At the present time, we have \$33,607.31 remaining in our grant.

We must request an extension of our grant, which is to run out on Nov. 4, 2012. There must be some adjustments in our scope of work to cover any items that we feel necessary to address. Some of the things mentioned were plantings and maintenance.

2.3 Plantings on Trail:

Some discussion was held concerning plantings along the trail. Since we had no clear plan, we will re-visit this item at a later time.

### **3.0 New Business**

#### **3.1 DEEP work on trail:**

Donna reported that the DEEP had mowed the entire trail with a bush hog type mower. Because this mower is directly behind the tractor, some of the ditches were affected with the attempt to mow. Donna had made some repairs; however, we feel that DEEP should repair their damage. Donna will call Dave Buckley to address this issue.

#### **3.2 Reimbursement for posts:**

Donna purchased two (4'x4'x8') posts to install signage on either side of Szafarek's driveway. The total cost was \$23.90, which she requested be reimbursed to her.

**Mary made a motion to reimburse \$23.90 to Donna for the cost of the posts. Naomi will check with the DEEP to determine whether this should be done now or after we rewrite our extension proposal. Walt seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.**

#### **3.3 Quarterly report:**

Donna provided a copy of the Quarterly Report that was submitted for the second quarter ending June 30, 2012.

#### **3.4 Ramp erosion:**

We discussed the problem of the erosion on the ramps during heavy rains. There was no consensus to correct the problem. Donna will speak to both Tom Conley and the DEEP to see what remedies that they suggest.

### **4.0 Motion to Adjourn:**

**Walt made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:54 PM. Bruce seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Donna Koenig, Chairman