

Town of Lebanon
Rails to Trails Committee
Monday November 4, 2013
MINUTES

Members present: Donna Koenig, Mary Withey, Bruce Sievers, Nusie Halpine and Mark Fitton

Alternate Members: Walt Miller (Mike Lambert), Art Wallace (Peter Gandelman)

Members absent: Mike Lambert, Christine Witkowski, Naomi Davidson and Peter Gandelman

1.0 Opening Business

1.1 Call to Order: 6:31 P.M.

1.2 Welcome to Guests: None

1.3 Reading and Acceptance of Minutes of September 9, 2013 meeting:

Mary made a motion that the minutes of the September 9, 2013 be accepted with the following correction: Section 1.3 should read the minutes of August 12, 2013. Nusie seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2.0 Old Business

2.1 Updates on Kiosk:

Bruce reported that he had spoken to Scout Eben Schwinn. Eben has received an extension on his project deadline. He has obtained all of the materials for the kiosk and plans to do the construction on site on the weekend of November 17th & 18th. Clean-up and landscaping will take place on the following weekend.

2.2 Updates on section 5:

The DEEP has been working on section 5. They have completed the spreading of gravel between Cook Hill Rd. and the metal plates over the stream. They have gravel stockpiled on the Village Hill parking area. They should begin spreading that starting this week. They intend to build a deck over the stream next week. At that point they will spread the stone dust, install the gate at Village Hill Rd. and put the rails on the bridge deck. They hope to be finished this month.

2.3 Work on the trail by DEEP:

Before DEEP completed work with the mini-excavator, they fixed the erosion on the ramp at Kingsley and deepened the ditch by 6". They took the material they removed from the ditch and placed it on section 6 where ATVs and Dirt Bikes were entering the trail.

2.4 Mile Markers and Street Signs:

Walt, Art, Donna and Walt Koenig installed the street crossing signs and the mileage markers that were available. When work is complete on section 5, the

markers will go in there. We are still waiting for more stop signs, permitted and non permitted activities signs and greenway signs to become available.

2.5 Walktober:

Donna and Mary lead a group of eight on an informational ride along the entire Lebanon section of the trail. It was a beautiful day and everyone seemed to enjoy it.

3.0 New Business

3.1 Meeting schedule for 2014:

Donna presented the proposed meeting schedule for 2014.

Art made a motion that the Meeting Schedule for 2014 be accepted as presented. Mark seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

3.2 Christine will be leaving the committee:

Christine has informed Donna that she and Al will be moving to Glastonbury to be closer to their work places. As a consequence, she will be leaving the committee.

Art indicated that he would like to become a full member of the committee in Christine's place. Donna will ask the selectmen to appoint Art to the full position after Christine has resigned.

3.3 Quarterly Report:

Donna provided copies of the quarterly report submitted to the DEEP.

3.4 December Meeting:

After some discussion, it was decided that the committee would not meet in December.

Mary made a motion to cancel our December 2013 meeting since we have little business to conduct. Art seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

4.0 Motion to Adjourn:

Mark made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:53 PM. Bruce seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
Donna Koenig, Chairman