

Sanford Trails Committee Zoom Meeting
Monday June 21, 2021

Meeting began at 7:10

Members Present: Katie Menende, Dollie Hutchins, Lawrence Furbish, Stephen Mallon, Kevin McKeon, Brian Desrocher, Hazen Carpenter, Thom Gagné, Dave Parent

1. Approval of the minutes for the May 17, meeting. Motion by Lawrence and seconded by Stephen to accept the minutes as presented.
2. Treasurers Report: Hazen reported that we have in the CIP \$5,033.16 and in the special revenue fund, \$5, 611.79.
3. Volunteer Hours: Steve's email stated that 91.25 hours of volunteer service was put in by eight committee members during the month of May.
4. Committee Reports:
 - A. Communications: Katie reported that we had an increase of 19 Instagram followers. We had an increase of 26 followers on Facebook. There were comments such as; people were enjoying the new maps and kiosk, etc.
Katie, Matt (ATV Club), Dollie, Dave and Monica McKenna and her horse did some filming on trail educate. There were two thousand views on what is coming.
Katie will send out an email on what to do to improve our presence.
 - B. Signs/Maps: Hazen would like to organize a work party for this Thursday the 24th at 8:30 to put up more signs. Please contact him if available.
 - C. Construction/Maintenance: Hazen reported that there was no news.
 - D. Volunteers: It was noted that Rick had retired from the Trail Committee. A new Volunteer coordinator is need.
 - E. Land Owner Relations: Hazen reported that there was nothing at this time.
5. Old Business:
 - A. Maps and Signs: Hazen reported that we need metal posts for the In Town Trail connector. Hazen to make a list of the 20 +/- spots for Dig Safe to clear for installation.
 - Would like to move the post and beam structure currently on Spartan Drive and replace it with a trail intersection sign. He would

like to see the post and beam structure used at the Stanley Rd. trail head.

- B. School St. Project: Hazen and Kevin showed the plan done by the architect. There was discussion about the proposed shrubbery, trees etc. We discussed redirecting the boat launch ramp towards the new parking area. We also discussed putting up a post and beam type fence along School St. to prevent parking along the School St. shoulder.
 - C. Lee's project: Nothing new to report at this time.
 - D. Scout Eagle Project at Deering Pond: Kevin reported that the kiosk and bench at then sunken rail car sight are completed and look very good. Still needs to complete a bench and placard for the Deering Pond site.
 - E. Bretton Avenue: Hazen reported that after the 4th holiday he will have some of the Emerson School granite placed at the trail head to finish off the entrance. There was no information about the proposed eagle Scout project originally proposed for that spot.
 - F. Farm Walk: Brian met with Lee. Lee will need help to put out signs and to help with parking at McDougal's. Those interested in volunteering should contact Lee.
 - G. Thursday, July 1st at 7:30 at the entrance to the Rail Trail at Hansons Ridge, there will be a trail dedication ceremony to honor, none other than our own, Hazen Carpenter. Also are welcome to help honor the tireless Sanford trail master.
 - H. The director of the Three Rivers Land Trust will be meeting on July 11th at the Community Gardens at 10:00.
6. New Business:
- A. Recap of noted "to do" projects:
 - Trail by Dog Park was noted as a priority. It needs to be repaired with gravel and grading. Not sure how to pay for the needed repairs.
 - Marginal Way to Rail Trail. Same issue as the Dog Park trail section. Again, not sure how to pay for this.
 - YMCA trail out to Marginal Way.
 - B. In Town Connector signage: See item 5.A. above
 - C. Task Force: Dave gave a brief report on the Task Force's discussions, especially on the lack of cub cuts on Maine St. and Pleasant St. Next meeting of the Task Force is Tuesday June 22.
 - D. Projected Projects:

- 1) School Street Project
- 2) Trail from the H.S. to Rt. 4
- 3) Stanley Rd. Project. No action by CMP yet. If they are not going to do anything, then we will have to do it.

E. Motion by Thom and seconded by Lawrence to support the Historic Walks in concert with our trail maps. Unanimously approved.
Motion by Thom and seconded by Lawrence to purchase two posts and two signs to add to the Springvale Historic Walk with the cost not to exceed \$300. Unanimously approved.

7. Next Meeting to be July 19th at 7:00. This meeting will be a hybrid meeting at the City Hall conference room and zoom.
8. Closing Remarks: Motion by Lawrence and seconded by Dollie to accept Rick's resignation with regrets and appreciation for all his years of dedicated service to the Committee and the City. Unanimously approved.
9. Adjournment: Motion by Dollie and seconded by Stephen to adjourn. Unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:46

Respectfully submitted by Thom Gagné, Secretary