

Zoom Sanford Trail Committee Meeting
Monday July 20, 2020

Meeting began at 6:05

Members Present: Lee Burnett, Thom Gagné, Rick Tockman, Dollie Hutchins, Dave Parent, Lawrence Furbish, Kevin McKeon, Steve Mallon, Alan Grady

1. Approval of the June 15, 2020 minutes: Motion by Lawrence and seconded by Hazen to approve the minutes as presented.
Unanimously approved.
2. Accounting of Volunteer hours: Members are requested to sent in their time to Alan.
3. Treasurers Report: Allan submitted a copy of an email to all members listing the expenditures or monies encumbered for various committee projects and the balances in the various accounts.
4. Committee Reports:
 - a) Communications - Katie : Lee requested that we send Katie pictures to document our work.
 - b) Maps/Sign - Lee reported that the map/sign subcommittee has had in person meetings. They have their revisions and they are being packaged up. The subcommittee will meet one more time and then send the info to the Trail Committee members. Hazen reported that many of the signs have been put up in the Gowens Park, Armory, Middle School and Y area. Need to put up direction signs on the MW to Springvale.
 - c) Construction:
 - Hazen reported that Craig McCloud is having difficulty blasting the granite posts because they are so rough. Hazen came up with a solution and will be working on it.
 - Breton Ave. Entrance: Lee contacted then eagle Scout candidate and the project is still in process.
 - Boardwalk needs a plank replaced.
 - Brush needs to be cut along the Rail Trail near Deering Pond.
 - Hazen requests eight more Trail Crossing signs. Alan to check with the State to get more.
 - Hazen proposed that we move the timber frame sign structure located on the the former H.S. Blvd. over to the MWS trailhead on Emery St. A vote was taken on this proposal with seven (7) in favor

of this move and two (2) opposed.

- Rail Bed Construction: Hazen got two bids. One from STS at \$13,672 and one from SkidSteer at \$16,900. Motion by Hazen and seconded by Dollie to accept the STS bid to do the rail trail from Hansons Ridge Rd. To Deering Pond as proposed contingent upon communicating with the ATV Club and contribute the extra increment needed to get the necessary funds. Unanimously approved.
- The Bridge that was moved: Kevin reported that there was some repair/reinforcement work that need to be done on the bridge after it was relocated. He spent \$75.00 to brace the railing. Motion by Dave and seconded by Lawrence to reimburse Kevin \$75,00 for expenses incurred. Unanimously approved.
- d) Volunteers: Rick reported that the members from the Church of Later Day Saints are not meeting and thus will not be volunteering.
- e) Land Owner Relations: Kevin reported that he talked to the owner of the land at the end of the Rail Trail, a Mr. Wallingford. He said that Mr. Wallingford is considering selling a strip of Lebanon land so that the trail can go out to Blanchard Rd.

5. Old Business:

- a) ATV Municipal Grant: See 4 c) Rail Bed construction.
 - Beaver Deceiver: Motion by Dave and seconded by Dollie to award the Beaver Deceiver Project to Skip Lyle for the cost of \$2,900. Unanimously approved.
- b) Update on ATV Trail Relocation and RTP Grant for 2021: The first trail walk went very well. On the second trail walk the ATV Club balked. Deering Lumber is supportive. The ATV Club has set up a trail cam to gather data prior to opening the trail in August. The plan is for connectivity for the ATV Club. The landowners; Deering Lumber and Mapes approve of this alternative trail to the power lines which will free up the Rail Trail for pedestrian use. Still need a destination for the Rail Trail. Lee spoke with Richard Shaw about a walking path across the front of the two properties along Rt. 224 to have the trail go to the ice cream parlor.
Steve reported that he and Kevin cleaned up the opening to the Rail Trail at Rt. 224. Steve mowed 150 feet off of Rt. 224 and created a small parking lot. Kevin cleaned up the entrance near the ATV trail junction. Lee to see PW about some large boulders to block ATV usage. We also need to take out the snow fence to allow for pedestrian access to the trail.. Hazen offered a cattle gate as an

option.

- c) Branding Logo: Lee talked about the MW Logo. He noted that the City has abandon the “Swish”. They have a number of options but Lee believes we don’t need to use them. Lee proposed that the MW Logo could be tweaked so that the top could look more like a trestle bridge to show how our trail system is totally integrated. Dollie suggested that we add a RR track placed above the word “Mousam” or below the word “Way”. A graphic designer could be employed to integrate the idea on the logo. Motion by Hazen and seconded by Lawrence to keep the MW Logo as is and tweak the logo to incorporate a rail trail in it. Unanimously approved. Lee to shop it around and get some prices and suggestions/prototypes.
- d) Policy on private trail encroachment on the Rail Trail: After much discussion, it was decided to postpone any decision at this time. Motion by Thom and seconded by Haze to table this item until the next meeting. Unanimously approved.
- e) Update on Middle School Connector: This will require a Site Plan Review. Matt Hill has agreed to do the project but, we need to go to the Planning Board to open the entire site plan for the Middle School and amend the site plan. The fee to do this will be \$800.00. Motion by Thom and seconded by Steve to authorize Lee to go ahead with the process to get the Middle School connector approved at a cost of not more than \$800.00. Unanimously approved.
- f) Master Plan Modifications: It was suggested that a possible permitting process for new trails from Oak to Maine St. should be added. Also a mention of the MW Land Trusts effort to acquire land to access Blanchard Rd.

6. New Business: None at this time

7. Other: None at this time

8. Next Meeting: Monday August 17, 2020

9. Adjournment: Motion by Lee and seconded by Hazen to adjourn. Unanimously approved.

Meeting ended at 8:30

Respectfully submitted by Thom Gagné, Secretary