

Sanford Trails Committee Meeting Minutes
Monday August 15, 2022

Meeting began at 7:08

Members Present: Dollie Hutchins, Brady Lloyd, Lawrence Furbish, Kevin McKeon, Hazen Carpenter, Sam Parady

1. Approval of July 18, 2022 minutes: Motion by Hazen and seconded by Dollie to approve the minutes as presented.
2. Financial Report: Brady reported \$31,184.66 in the trails CIP account (including \$13,460 from last year) and \$5051.29 in the special reserve account. In the special account, \$4.72 remains unspent from the Farm Walk; with Lee Burnett's approval, those dollars should be transferred to the CIP account. Recent CIP expenditures (set aside and/or spent) include \$1,600 for Hanson Rd to Lebanon Rail Trail tree work through Bull Pine Tree Service, \$475.80 for wood from Deering Lumber and \$200 for ATV policy signage to Burpee Signs.
3. Committee Reports:
 - A. Communication/Outreach: No report at this time.
 - B. Construction/Maintenance: Hazen reported the following:
 - 1) The benches have been repaired at Mousam Way Kiwanis Park. The committee should expect a \$238 bill for welding services soon.
 - 2) The wooden bridge by The Leap has been repaired and looks good.
 - 3) Different sources of gravel for the trail behind the Armory have been explored. Gravel purchased from the City of Sanford would cost roughly \$500 for the entire 40 yard project but may contain glass or metal. Material from private sources would cost \$1,700 but is more clean and consistently sized. Committee

members recommended the less expensive gravel to be used as the base layer (20-25 yd) of the trail with an inch of premium gravel on the top. Labor for the project will cost \$1,200 through Matt Landry plus potential trucking fees for privately sourced gravel.

- 4) Brian from Parks and Rec will be in contact with Bull Pine Tree Service for trimming on the Rail Trail from Hanson Rd to Lebanon.
- 5) Kaz's Fine Lines quoted \$1,995 for trail striping along Marginal Way. Committee members recommended sending the final approval of this project to Public Works Director Matt Hill.
- 6) Additional communication to be had with Matt Hill regarding crosswalks across Main & Oak streets and Hanson Ridge road. Lawrence floated the possibility of a curb cut.
- 7) Sam improved some of the signage along Mousam Way North, particularly along Mill Pond and past The Leap towards Stanley Rd. A lot of glass was removed along the eastern shore of The Leap, however a tent-like structure and campsite was seen obstructing the trail on Flag Rock.

C. City Relations: Brady reported the ATV Club received a partial grant as reimbursement for the \$9,800 cost of grading the Rail Trail from Pleasant to Witham St. With the completion of a second application, the club will receive the full grant.

D. Volunteer Hours: Lawrence reported there were 75 volunteer hours in July.

4. Old Business:

- A. School St parking area: No updates at this time.
- B. Middle School bike path connector: Superintendent Matt Nelson has safety and practical concerns (plowing). There

is another site nearby that might work for a potential bike path.

- C. High School Loop: Lawrence, Hazen and Brady will be meeting on Thursday August 18, 2022 to get documentation in order for the work to begin.
- D. Snowmobile/Farm Trail: No updates at this time.
- E. Prior property agreements: Lawrence, Hazen and Brady will be meeting on Thursday August 18, 2022 to compile and evaluate all prior land-owner agreement documents.
- F. Beaver Deceiver: Brady emailed and is awaiting a response from Skip Lisle for work on the beaver deceiver.

5. New Business:

- A. The Leap/Veterans Bridge: According to the Maine Department of Environmental Protection, approval for this project will most likely require input from the US Army Corps of Engineers.
- B. Rhododendron Sanctuary: Lee Burnett submitted a draft Memorandum of Understanding between Three Rivers Land Trust, Sanford Trails Committee and Native Plant Trust for the construction and maintenance of a trail from the Sanford Community Forest to the Harvey Butler Rhododendron Sanctuary. The new plan for the trail excludes a wetland boardwalk. Each of the three aforementioned parties would be responsible for providing \$4,167 to the effort.
- C. New mountain bike path: Randy White would like approval by the Trails Committee to create an additional route on the western side of Mousam Way North. Bypassing the ledges near Stanley Rd, this path is designed for beginner and intermediate mountain bikers. Hazen pointed out that some of the area is private land and their approval may be needed.

6. Adjournment: Motion by Dollie and seconded by Kevin.
Unanimously approved.

Meeting ended at 8:05

Respectfully submitted by Sam Parady