

TRAIL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, November 16, 2015

MEETING COMMENCED: 7:10 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Lee Burnett, Hazen Carpenter, Marcel Blouin, Albert Alexandre, Don Roux, Dollie Hutchins, Albert Pollard

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 19 MEETING: Motion to accept and seconded: approved

OLD BUSINESS:

TRAIL MAINTENANCE;

“y” Trail: Marcel has been evaluating the repair of the paved trail by the “Y”. The cost to edge and sealcoat that section is \$9.80/yd. Total material and cost for that 4700 sq ft section would be 5225 yds or \$9250. An additional charge of \$1 sq ft for crack repair. He has also contacted PW regarding a second option of “chip seal”. Some of this may be part of his budget. Marcel will continue to evaluate our options and get back to the committee.

RR Trail: Hazen again questioned feasibility of adding more gravel to the Hansen Ridge road side to allow additional parking. Marcel said this would be a spring project if can be done. Matt Hill will be approached for possible additional gravel. Hazen said Lionel Sevigny is willing to put in a railing.

Mousam Way South: Trees blocking the trail were cut and removed. The board walk was repaired. Work still needs to be done on the loop trail to replace a broken board, remove poison ivy and a plan for mowing.

HS Trail: The Environmental Club will adopt and care for this trail.

Pioneer Ave. Trail: Matt Hill’s Dept repaired the trail for \$2000.

GRANT APPLICATION FOR SPRINGVALE FARM TRAIL: Hazen had the State and Code Enforcement walk the proposed trail through his land. They wanted the trail moved away from the pond in an area that is wet. Hazen, Dollie and Lee restaked the trail as was suggested. This section for the trail between the RR Trail and Blanchard Rd will require an new bridge and moving a rock pile. Lee is working on a grant.

GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE HIGH SCHOOL TRAIL:

Pioneer Ave. to School St.: The National Guard will return next year to work on trail. Lee is applying for a \$35K grant for which our share is \$7K. We also talked about using solar lighting since the

trail will be dark in the winter. The trail needs to be plowable in the winter since Main St. sidewalks may be impassable with heavy snow.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

New facebook administrator, Nancy McCallum: Lee introduced her to the committee. In return, all members introduced themselves and why they are involved with the trail committee. Hazen gave a glowing short history of the trail committee and the formation of our 22 + miles of trail. All agreed that having a presence on facebook would increase public knowledge of the trail system and its many significant community benefits.

Paper streets: Lee passed out some information. We will evaluate further.

MEETING ADJOURNED: civil discourse completed, the meeting ended at 8:11 PM. Best wishes for a wonderful holiday.

Respectfully: AAP