

Trail Development Committee Meeting
Monday March 16, 2015

Members Present: Lee Burnett, Karen Marshon, Don Roux, Al Pollard, Hazen Carpenter, Thom Gagné, Ruth Bettinger, Marcel Blouin, Rick Tockman

Guest: Ed Coleman (President of So. Me. ATV)

Meeting began at 7:00

1. Approval of Minutes from the February 23 meeting. Motion by Hazen and seconded by Rick to approve the minutes as presented. Unanimously approved.
2. Old Business:
 - a) Maine National Guard and New High School Project: Lee reported that there has been some new development with regards to the project. Wright-Pierce did the map as requested at the last meeting. The engineering co. found that the city had created a Resource Protection Zone that is different from Shoreland Zoning. Shirley, from Code Enforcement, claims that because there is gravel, culverts and drainage involved we are building a road. We need to go to the ZBA to get a variance that would encompass the entire length of the trail up to School St. We will also need cooperation from the P.W. Dept. with regards to moving the fence and possibly a building. Even if we don't do the whole length, we could at least get a variance/permit for the entire project. Motion by Thom and seconded by Al Pollard to authorize the committee to peruse permitting through the ZBA. Unanimously approved.
 - b) Review Final Edit of the new Trail Map: Lee reported that Rick got \$500.00 from SMHC for a two inch advertising space. Hazen suggested that the map include notice of a river access point on the South side of School St. near the bridge. No other revisions were suggested or needed. Lee also informed the group that the map will also be available electronically through www.community-gis.org. Motion by Hazen and seconded by Al Pollard to print 5000 maps in Dull Text/Semigloss for \$1,658.08. Unanimously approved.
- Sponsorship: It was decided to charge \$250 per inch for advertisers.

3. New Business:

- a) Railroad Bed Maintenance and ATV Club: Ed Coleman explained to the committee that for an ATV club to get grant money reimbursement of 100% for trail maintenance a club needs at least 0-10 miles of trail. Also, to get grant money the club has to be incorporated. So. Me. ATV would be interested in taking over the maintenance of the rail trail from Pleasant St. trail head in Springvale to the Lebanon line. They could help with maintenance because they can get reimbursement from the State. Marcel suggested that the Committee approach the City Council to inform them of the partnership. Ed also said that he would approach the former York County ATV group to see if they will reorganize and take on this project. Ed will inform Lee about his progress with the other club.
- b) Transportation Update to the Comprehensive Plan: The Planning Board is subdividing the various sections of the above topic. Lenny Horr, vice-chair of the Planning Board will be working with the trail committee.
-Hazen and Lee are still planning on attending the March 18 Planning Board meeting at 7:00 in the City Hall Chamber.
- c) Farm Trail Walk, 2015: There will be a meeting at 4:00 p.m. Thursday March 19 at McDougals. Six farms will be represented. The planned date for this event is Sunday July 26.

4. Committee Reports: There were no reports at this time. Lee did, however, ask for individuals to become involved in a committee of their choice or preference.

5. Open Discussion: Hazen thanks the committee for all the support that he got over the years that he was chairman.

6. Next Meeting: Due to Patriots day being on Monday April 20th (the 3rd Monday of the Month) it was decided to have our next meeting on Monday April 27.

7. Adjournment: Motion by Al Pollard and seconded by Hazen to adjourn. Unanimously approved.

Meeting ended at 8:40 Respectfully submitted by Thom Gagné, Sec.

