

# Holland Trails Committee Minutes

Date: April 22, 2015

Present: Richard & Chris Haller, Jackie Proko, and Fred Beaulieu

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Dick Haller. The minutes were approved as read.

## Old Business:

Measuring and planning the proposed Community Center trail needs to be done. Chris will check with Dana Manning (Board of Health) regarding the well.

The printing of the maps and banner has been completed. A copy of the map has been delivered to Army Corps for placement in the trailhead kiosk.

The Norcross grant expenditures for brochures was \$275. The maps & banner cost \$103. Remaining in the grant is \$72. It was decided unanimously to use these funds, if Norcross approves, to purchase 2,000 bookmarks at a cost of \$76. Other options were examined, but all were too costly.

Corps is committed to placing a portable toilet at the trailhead for 3 months. Placement was delayed due to snow cover and possible flooding, but should be accomplished soon. The Board of Health is seeking approval for an additional 3 months.

Exploration of existing and potential trails was discussed. Possibilities include Old Brimfield Rd. to Lake Siog, the Butterworth property, and May Brook Glen (Opacum). Dick will e mail possible dates.

The Town Treasurer was unable to locate documentation on the Kellogg grant. The Committee needs to write to Kellogg with a proposal. Dick will contact the school staff who coordinate the 5 K training runs. Possible coordination between the school and Community Center will be explored.

## New Business:

Corps has a purchase order for the amount of processed gravel requested. We need to coordinate delivery.

There will be a workday from 8:30 - 12:30, Saturday, May 9th. Dick will contact Robin Scott, Jim Lamothe, and Rob Mahlert. Chris will talk to Pastor Bruce. Chris will also provide coffee and snacks. We hope to spread gravel and accomplish spring cleanup.

The trail ride is scheduled from 10:00- 12:00, Saturday, June 6th. Bicycle Concepts will not be providing a mechanic, as they are out of business. Jackie will contact the bike store in Southbridge to see if they might be interested.

The Committee discussed increasing outreach for this event. The school could be helpful. After the 5K, they might be willing to post the event on the board in front of the school. There are other Facebook pages which could be utilized in addition to our own. The Library, the Community Center, and the Police Department all have one. There is also a Holland, MA Information page.

Upcoming dates:

Saturday, May 9th: our first workday

Wednesday, May 27th: our next meeting

Saturday, June 6th: our first trail ride

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50.

Richard Haller  
Chairman / Secretary