



TOWN OF NORTHBOROUGH Trails Sub-Committee

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Town of Northborough-Trails Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes for November 16, 2009

Present: Sherral Devine, Mike Karpuk, Scott Karpuk, Nancy Kellner, Forest Lyford, Bob Mihalek, Tim Porter, Jim Stein, Marielle Stone

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm and the minutes of the October 19, 2009 meeting were approved.

Trail Steward Reports

- a) Mt. Pisgah-per Charlie's email, "...nothing remarkable to report. Berlin Road had the usual puddles due to the rain and the rocky slope on Sparrow was wet as usual... Mary Jaiswal offered to co-steward Mt-Pisgah with me, and I agreed."
- b) Cold Harbor-fine, boardwalks before floating bridge need to be replaced
- c) Jubilee-good shape and well utilized
- d) Edmund Hill-all trails in fine shape
- e) Coyote/Bird Song/Old Farm-lots of trail activity, trails in great shape
- f) Stirrup Brook-fine, signs that Bob installed are still there
- g) Watson Park-need to reblaze trail and figure out a way to mark trail across open field; Jim recommended a nice spot off the trail for a bench with a view of the pond
- h) Cedar Hill/Little Chauncey- some repair work is needed to older planks which are rotted and broken. Marielle will replace. Slippery bridge could use some "texture" added to make safer passage. Mapbox needs to be replaced. Scott offered to do this.

Old/New Business

- Eagle Scout Projects--Chapin Canal Trail: Harry Silverstein. Marielle is still waiting to hear from DCR. She will follow up with them in the coming weeks.
- Nancy reported that grant was awarded to the public library for the creation of Nature Trek Packs.
- It was decided not to request CPA funds this year. Bob will contact Kathy Joubert regarding the possibility of requesting funds (in future rounds) for the purchase of property easements.

- Committee brainstormed several promotional ideas such as issuing patches for the completion of hiking all the town's trails and posting promotional videos on YouTube.
- There will not be a December meeting.

Next Meeting is Tuesday January 19, 2010, due to the Monday holiday for Martin Luther King Jr Day.

Meeting adjourned at 8:21 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Kellner, Secretary