



TOWN OF NORTHBOROUGH Trails Sub-Committee

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Meeting Minutes for March 16, 2009

Present: Charlie Bradley, George Curtis, Sherral Devine, Scott Karpuk, Nancy Kellner, Forest Lyford, Tim Porter, Josh Richardson, Jim Stein

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm and the minutes of the February 16, 2009 meeting were approved.

Trail steward reports were presented. Several areas were noted for further action, consideration or comment.

- Cold Harbor—exposed barbed wire near field needs to be removed; boardwalk work needed; Beaver Loop Trail requires blazes
- Mt. Pisgah—trails need minor grooming; Sparrow Trail should be rerouted (with permission) because of water flow
- Cedar Hill—Talbot Road post to be reinstalled
- “Algonquin” Trail—Scott’s sons (Michael and John Karpuk) have been named stewards
- Old Farm and Bird Song--require signage to reflect renaming
- Coyote Trail—redesign needed for better navigation
- All other trails—fine or no status reported

Old/New Business

- At this time, there are no plans for a Trails Committee sponsored Earth Day event
- CPA grant request will be presented at Town Meeting
- Potential Trail Development—continued discussion about possible areas for future trails
 - New loop trail near Talbot on Mass Wildlife Property (Marielle working with Bill Davis of Mass Wildlife)
 - Route 20/Tomblin Hill (Charlie in discussion with Jason Benoit of DCR)
 - ConCom land near Smith Pond
 - Sulfur Hill
 - Chapin Canal—from Pump House on Hudson to Yellick Parking area
- Website Update
(<http://www.town.northborough.ma.us/ntrails/new/index.php>)

- Set to launch this week
- “Blog” format will allow Charlie (or designee) to update the site with news and events
- New features-trail photos, driving directions via Google maps, complete and up-to-date trail maps

Next Meeting is Monday April 20, 2009. Please note that the committee agreed to meet on this Monday holiday.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Kellner, Secretary