

TOWN OF NORTHBOROUGH Trails Sub-Committee

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<u>MONDAY</u> October 18th, 2010 Northborough Trails Committee

## Minutes Attendees: Claude Guerlain, Forest Lyford, Bob Mihalek, Sherral Devine, George Curtis, Marielle Stone Guests: Harry Silverstein, Ellen Silverstein, John Karpuk

7:07 pm Open Meeting and Consideration of May and September 2010 Minutes. Minutes approved.

7:10 Discussed Harry Silverstein's Eagle Scout project: Chapin Canal Historical Feature. Approved kiosk design. Harry will try to get input from Bob Ellis at the Historical Society. Forest clarified that the Historical Society is a private organization and the Historical Commission is a town (public) group. Harry will pick a date to start the clearing. NTC will run power tools the weekend before to avoid exposing scouts or volunteers to excessive hazards.

Also, Ellen Silverstein mentioned that the Church of the Nativity on Howard St. wants to establish a hiking trail in the wooded area behind the church. Bob agreed to attend a meeting at the church to see what the plans are and take a walk through the woods to see what the terrain is like.

Discussed Andrew Savarese's Eagle Scout project: Nature's classroom on Stirrup Brook trail. Three picnic tables installed at site on October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Claude needs to check installation to see if all the work specified in the plan was completed before signing off on the project.

Trail Steward Reports

- a) Mt. Pisgah- no formal report, the North and South Views may need brush clearing.
- b) Cold Harbor- Claude installed new map box on West st. Need bridges to span muddy sections before floating bridge. Forest suggested a work party to build decks, cut into sections for bridges, then install later
- c) Jubilee-Forest-good shape

- d) Edmund Hill- Forest-good shape
- e) Yellick & SuAsCo- Claude/ Scott-Coyote trail near Yellick parking lot needs trail post sign re-installed. Forest led hike with community members on Old Farm trail. NTC Founder Art Cole attended.
- f) Stirrup Brook-Scott/Claude: trails in good shape.
- g) Watson Park-Jim-no report
- h) Cedar Hill- Marielle, Bob-Marielle did some mowing and maintenance. Large trash dump noted at Talbot St. Branch hanging over trail near Beeman Rd. Need boards replaced along Little Chauncy.
- 8:20 pm Old/New Business including, but not limited to:

George mentioned Wegmans grocery moving into Northborough Crossing. Wegmans has a program of some sort to provide trail maps in the communities where stores are located. We'll have to investigate this a bit more to see how this can benefit Northborough residents.

8:24 pm Adjourn

CC Town Clerk; Town Administrator; Conservation Commission; Chief Mark Leahy; Parks & Recreation Commission; Appalachian Mountain Club