



TOWN OF NORTHBOROUGH Trails Sub-Committee

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TUESDAY February 22, 2011
Northborough Trails Committee
Police Station Meeting Room

Minutes

Attendees: Bob Mihalek, Forest Lyford, Claude Guerlain, Jim Stein

7:10 pm Bob opened the meeting. Minutes of the January 18, 2011, meeting were accepted as written.

Bob read a message from a regular user of Northborough trails expressing concern about the number of dog droppings on trails, particularly Mt. Pisgah trails and the Cold Harbor Trail. Bob will discuss signage and disposal options with Kathy Joubert.

Trail Steward Reports:

- a) Mt. Pisgah - No formal report except concern expressed by a hiker about the number of dog droppings along the trail.
- b) Cold Harbor - No formal report. Forest reports that he hiked most of the length recently and found no problems except considerable dog droppings near Carney Park.
- c) Jubilee - Forest-good shape
- d) Edmund Hill - Forest-good shape.
- e) Yellick & SuAsCo (Coyote, Bird Song, Tall Grass trails) - Claude reports that the trails are in good shape. Forest stated that he had snowshoed on most of the trails recently and found no problems.
- f) Stirrup Brook - No formal report.
- g) Watson Park- No formal report.
- h) Little Chauncy/Cedar Hill/Sawink- No formal report.

Old/New Business:

- a) B.S.A. Eagle Scout Project Updates
 - 1) Chapin Canal (Harry Silverstein): The Trails Committee suggests naming this feature the Chapin Canal Historic Site.

- 2) Nature Classroom (Andrew Savarese): Claude reports that signs need to be completed. Claude will call Andrew and suggest that he contact Andy Clark for signs. Also a podium is planned but has not been built.
 - 3) Potential new project: David Blake is looking for an Eagle project. Bob will discuss the possibility of replacing planks near the beginning of the Little Chauncy Trail with bridges like those recently installed along the Proctor Trail and along the Bird Song Trail.
- b) Website Update: Jim reports no recent activity
- c) There was some discussion about possible support of Trails-related activities by Wegmans Store. Bob had explored that possibility and found that benefits were limited.

9:00 pm Adjourn

Respectfully submitted
Forest Lyford

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