



TOWN OF NORTHBOROUGH Trails Sub-Committee

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MONDAY September 17th, 2012

Northborough Trails Committee

Police Station Meeting Room

Minutes

Attendees: Bob Mihalek, George Curtis, Forest Lyford, Jim Stein, Claude Guerlain, Sherral Devine

7:05 p.m. Bob opened the meeting. Minutes from the previous two meetings will be voted on for approval at the next meeting.

Trail Status:

Cold Harbor Trail: Sherral reports that the board walk needs weed wacking. Also, the map box at the trail head at Carney Park needs to be cleaned out to remove residue from an ant trap.

Watson Park Trail: Jim reports that the trail cut into the slope has slumped and needs rebuilding.

Connector Trail: Forest reports that he cut brush along the trail but the weeds need to be mowed.

Applefest Debrief:

George reports that the booth was well attended, but a banner or something similar is needed to give it greater visibility. George will discuss options with Kathy Joubert.

Aqueduct Trail Plans:

Bob reports that he prepared a draft access plan as required by MWRA and submitted it to Kathy Joubert for review. An emergency plan will also be needed. Bob has inquired about a template that was prepared for another town and will follow up on that. The emergency plan will require a review by the Town's police and fire departments.

Green St. Property

Work can begin on a trail that has been marked by Marielle Stone and Charlie Bradley in the wooded section of the property. Bob will organize a work party sometime this fall. Plans still need to be formulated for the pasture area.

Other Business:

A possible trail in Assabet Park, designed mainly for use by children, was discussed briefly. In recent email exchanges from Claude and Forest, Nancy Kellner expressed interest in a semi-permanent story-book walk in the area. An Eagle Scout candidate has already expressed interest in such a project.

Concern was expressed about the difficulty of finding vehicles to haul the trailer and mowing machine. Bob will explore the possibility of using town pickup trucks.

8:20 p.m. Adjourn

Respectfully submitted,
Forest Lyford, Recording Secretary

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