



TOWN OF NORTHBOROUGH Trails Sub-Committee

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MONDAY October 15th, 2012
Northborough Trails Committee
Police Station Meeting Room

Minutes

Attendees: Bob Mihalek, George Curtis, Forest Lyford, Marielle Stone, Nancy Kellner

Guest: John Campbell

7:10 p.m. Bob opened the meeting. Minutes for meetings in July, August and September were approved.

Trail Status:

Cold Harbor Trail: Forest stated that planks on the floating bridge need to be replaced. Bob will see if funds are available for some treated lumber.

Connector Trail: Forest reports that he cut more brush along the trail. A section from the embankment to the woods at the far end needs to be mowed.

Applefest:

George discussed options for a trails banner with Kathy Joubert. Kathy said she could assist.

Aqueduct Trail Plans:

Bob reports that a draft access plan as required by MWRA and submitted it to Kathy Joubert is still being reviewed.

Green St. Property

Trails options, focusing on the open field, were discussed at length with John Campbell, open-space committee. The primary concern is the concurrent use of the area for grazing cattle and recreation. John will discuss various options with the Open Space Committee. Bob said that he cleared an area of brush and weeds at the north end for easy access to the forested part of the property.

Assabet Park Trail

Marielle has marked a potential trail and has presented ideas to Kathy Joubert. Selectmen and other town offices may have to approve of the plan. Marielle envisions a potential Eagle Scout project. Installation of stations for a semi-permanent story walk could be a separate project.

Other Business:

Bob continues to explore possible options of using town vehicles to haul the trailer and mowing machine. Forest reports that he has access to a pickup truck that can be used to transport the mowing machine and other equipment and materials as needed.

8:35 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