

Minutes  
Pathways Committee  
June 15, 2011

Members present: Jim Eisenhower, Barbara Laverick, George Vanderheiden, Art Slocum, Jim Nupp, Ethan Hipple, Kathy Barnard

The meeting was called to order by Jim Eisenhower at 5:00PM in the Town Hall Meeting Room. The meeting was moved to this location due to problems at the Community Center.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the May 18, 2011 minutes. All voted in favor of the motion.

Jim Eisenhower gave the Treasurer's report. Pathways still owes \$175,012 of the \$220,830 contract for the trail work. Pathways has \$169,688 in the bank. All invoices have been paid to date.

Abenaki: The gate on the Filter Bed service road will remain and a path for bikes and walkers has been constructed around the gate. A second gate will be installed further up the road and a path will be constructed around this gate.

At the 109A Abenaki entrance the gate near the road will be moved onto the property closer to the skating rink so cars can park in the existing parking spaces when using the trails. A path will be constructed around this gate. Dave Ford will be treating Filter Bed Road with Calcium Chloride.

Sewall Woods: The trail work is progressing. Denny's way is too wet for a bike trail so no permit was obtained for work on Denny's Way. The bid for Sewall Woods was based on 2.6 miles. 1.5 is actually being improved. Pathways should get a discount due to the shorter trail. Jim and George will talk to Josh (Trail contractor) to discuss an alternative. Tuttle's trail is under consideration. This trail is dry and would provide an alternate loop. The Lakes Region Conservation Trust is meeting to consider this change. If LRCT says Ok, State permits may be required. Dan Coons will make this determination. The contract may need to be amended.

Jim Nupp made a motion and Art Slocum seconded the motion to move ahead with the improvements to Tuttle's Trail. All voted in favor of the motion. This would then give us 2 miles of bike trails in Sewall Woods.

Jim Eisenhower said that Josh has mentioned a trail kick off event. He would rent a portable pizza oven and his wife would make the pizza dough. Pathways and Josh would do this event together once the trails are complete and the signs installed. The pizza would be free. This would not be a fund raising event. It would be an opportunity for people to meet Josh and ride or walk the trails. Barbara Laverick will head up the pizza event. Date to be determined.

Barbara Laverick submitted a proposal for a Treasure Hunt event. It was decided that this event should be scheduled for the spring close to Bike and Walk Day.

Jim Eisenhower reported that all of the signs and "dog stations" have been ordered. The cost was approximately \$1,500. The LRCT will assist in putting up the signs.

Jim Nupp reported that pictures of Bike and Walk Day and the trail construction have been added to the web site. Jim mentioned that we should publicize the Rules of the Roads for bikers and motorists now that the good weather has arrived.

Mal Blodget will attend the Lakes Region Planning Commission's annual meeting to accept an award being given to Pathways for the trail construction projects.

Jim Nupp suggested that a letter should be sent to Josh from Pathways commending Josh and his team on their good work on the trails.

The next meeting is scheduled for July 20, 2011, 5:00PM, at the Community Center.

The meeting adjourned at 6:15PM.

Submitted by  
Kathy Barnard  
June 16, 2011