

Pathways Committee

September 15, 2010 meeting minutes.

Jim Eisenhower called the meeting to order at 5:05PM.

Members present: Jim Eisenhower, Tom O'Brien, Ethan Hipple, Jim Nupp, Mal Blodget, Art Slocum, Gene Solod, Ted Greenberg, Kathy Barnard

There was a motion made and seconded to approve the August 18, 2010 minutes. All voted in favor.

Jim Eisenhower reported that Pathways had received a letter from the State of NH on 9/10/10 that the application for work on the trails was complete. On 9/13/10 Pathways sent a letter requesting that the permit be expatiated, since this is a relatively small intrusion into the wetlands. The permit is needed by 10/1/10 so the construction can start. Some calls will be made to determine if this deadline can be met. If not, the project may need to be postponed until spring. The Committee agreed that we still need to focus on construction beginning this fall. The Cross Country ski Association cannot afford to pay for the new culverts so that cost will be taken care of by Pathways.

Jim Eisenhower reported that as of this date \$250,123 has been pledged for the trail project. The total cash on hand is \$192,297. Some of those funds have been used to pay for the state permit, printing, graphics and the web site. Pathways will receive the \$25,000 challenge grant once the permit is obtained. There are adequate funds raised for the Sewall Woods trail upgrades.

Web site: There was a general discussion about the Pathways web site. There is a need for more local information; there should be more information about NH bike laws; there is information about Pathways relationship with WEDCO. Information should be added about Pathways relationship with Lakes Region Conservation Trust. The facebook site information can be added to the web site with a link. If any members have additional suggestions, these should be sent to Jim Nupp.

Publicity: Jim Eisenhower will continue to work with the Granite State News to get articles in the paper.

The next meeting will be held in the Community Center on October 20, 2010 at 5:00PM.

Meeting adjourned at 5:40PM.

Submitted by

Kathy Barnard

September 18, 2010