

Wilmington Trails Committee

Minutes for July 14, 2016

Present: John Greene, *chair*; Crista Gannon, *vice president*; Ann Ottaviano, *recording secretary*; John Gannon, Gary Henry, Spencer Crispe and Jake White, *alternate*.

Absent: Joe Arnold, Bob Fisher and alternate Tim Hunt.

Meeting convened at 6:00 p.m.

Changes to the Agenda: On Monday, July 11th, there was a hearing on a proposed ramp for Reardon's Bridge. The Trails Committee submitted plans for a wooden structure; however the Development Review Board and Cliff Duncan preferred a metal ramp. The DRB and some committee members will visit the site on Monday, July 18th. We are not sure that the State will accept a metal ramp. When this issue is resolved we would seek bids from Mr. Sprague or the Renaud firm.

Approve Minutes: John Greene made the motion to approve the amended minutes for June 9, 2016, Crista Gannon seconded, all approved.

Update on the Valley Trail: In June, Stephanie Giles, Natural Resources Board District 2 Coordinator, informed the Town's attorney that the Valley Trail repair/maintenance project would not require an Act 250 permit. Recently the Trails Committee was informed that we would need an Act 250 permit because of wetlands on said section of the trail.

Update on Past Trail Work: Spencer Crispe cleared blowdowns and trash from sections of the Lake Raponda Trails. Jake White and the Gannons have performed maintenance on the Hoot, Toot and Whistle Trail.

Planning for New Trail Work:

Valley Trail: Work needs to be done behind Nutmeg Inn. Need clippers and brush hog.

Hoot, Toot and Whistle Trail: Clippers needed for new growth alongside the trail and some new signage.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Next Meeting: August 11, 2016, at 6p.m. in Town Meeting Room.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Ottaviano

