

## Wilmington Trail Committee Minutes for August 23, 2018

**Present:** Spencer Crispe, *Chair*; John Greene, Jake White, Gary Henry, Alan Baker, Joanne Yankura

**Absent:**, Crista Gannon, *vice chair*; John Gannon, Bob Fisher, Ann Ottaviano (Alternate)

**Guests:** Gretchen Havreluk; *Wilmington Economic Development Specialist*, Jake Roberts; *Peak Property Services*

Meeting convened at 6:09 pm

### Agenda:

1. Approval of Minutes: Deferred until the next meeting on September 12, 2018.
2. Valley Trail Improvement Work: Gretchen Havreluk summarized the various conversations and meetings that have occurred since the last WTC meeting and subsequent to Scott Tucker contacting the law firm originally retained to assist with wetlands permitting:
  - a) A walk of the relevant Valley Trail section is scheduled on September 5th at 8 am. Individuals with technical expertise or a vested interest related to the trail project will participate. The group's objectives include identifying areas needing work and the exact type(s) of work to be performed.
  - b) Mt. Snow's trail project engineer and terrain development team is interested in collaborating as the project contractor and will provide an estimate for all upgrade work identified during the group walk.
  - c) Attorneys from Gravel and Shea will meet with Gretchen on September 6th to review the decisions made regarding specific trail upgrades and discuss any necessary, related permitting.
3. Signage Improvements and Updates: Progress made thus far on posting directional and trailhead signs, along with the usual accompanying restricted access signage typically posted at trailheads, was reviewed. Outstanding tasks, including restricted areas still in need of roping off, were identified and delegated for completion.
4. Next work bee date: in lieu of trail work, a walk of the Valley Trail section slated for improvement work is scheduled for **Saturday, September 1<sup>st</sup> @ 8 am.**
5. Next Meeting: **Thursday, September 13th @ 6 pm, Town Offices**

### New Business:

A proposal for developing a trail extending from Buzzy Town Park to Wahoo's was presented. Obtaining necessary landowner permission has already begun.

**Ongoing Business:**

- Discussed USDA Forest Service announcement to discontinue maintenance of the Haystack trail (off of Forbush Road).
- Trail mowing: Jake Roberts provided feedback on trail mowing and offered some suggestions for signage improvements. Jake requested being added to the WTC email list and included in email communications.

Gary made a motion to adjourn. Spencer seconded. All agreed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Joanne Yankura