

Wilmington Trails Committee

Minutes for October 10, 2019

Present: Spencer Crispe, Chair; Gary Henry, Jake White, Joanne Yankura, and alternate Alan Baker

Absent: Jake Roberts, Vice Chair; Bob Fisher, Crista Gannon, John Gannon, Selectboard Rep.; and alternates, Ann Ottaviano, Brian Hamill, Geri Kogut, and Tim Hunt

Meeting convened at 6:13 pm.

Scheduled Agenda:

1. **Approval of minutes:** Spencer made a motion to accept the meeting minutes for September 12, 2019. All approved.
2. **Public participation:** None
3. **Valley Trail solar construction update:** Spencer will meet with Tom Flynn on Tuesday, October 15th to ascertain a date for completion of the solar project and reopening of the Valley Trail.
4. **Old Home Week Discussion:** Spencer conveyed a request from the Old Home Week Committee for a Trails Committee-sponsored event/fundraiser during the 2020 celebration to be held July 30 – August 2. Possible ideas and locations were discussed. The trail event details must be finalized by springtime for inclusion in OHW promotional information.
5. **Maps Discussion:** Electronic and paper versions of the Wilmington Trails map, including trail descriptions, need updating. Several map-related goals to be completed by or before Old Home Week 2020 were identified:
 - ❖ Improve and update kiosk and trailhead information.
 - ❖ Revise paper and e-maps to reflect the current Wilmington Town Trails routes: add new trails and re-routes, correct errant information, and remove defunct trails.
 - ❖ Add links to other trail-related resources that will promote the Wilmington Trails, e.g., the SVDV Chamber of Commerce and other nearby trail networks.
 - ❖ Joanne and Alan will contact Jeff Nugent for assistance and report back at the November meeting with proposals for general discussion and input.
6. **Trail Maintenance:** Jake White agreed to assess needed materials to complete the relocated bridge on the HTW trail and discussed roping off the previous bridge approach. A work bee is scheduled for **Tuesday, October 15th at 4:30 pm** to complete work on the Primitive Trail reroute.

New Business:

7. **Finances:** After a discussion regarding the committee's budget balance, Spencer messaged Jessica DeFrancesco requesting that a detailed spreadsheet be made available prior to each meeting.
8. **Fitness Equipment:** Gary described the acquisition of three outdoor fitness stations that were purchased with funds left over from the OSEC grant money. Possible locations for installing the equipment next year were discussed.
9. **Communication:** Concerns were raised regarding a lack of direct, ongoing communication between the committee and other entities impacting trail-related matters, including the Chamber of Commerce and the Selectboard. Spencer

messed the Town Manager, Scott Tucker, regarding representation from the Selectboard and Joanne will contact the SVDV Chamber of Commerce to identify a reliable method for conveying information.

10. Next Meeting: **Thursday, November 14th, 2019 @ 6 pm, Town Offices.**

Joanne made a motion to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Joanne Yankura