Wilmington Trail Committee Minutes for April 11, 2019

Present: Spencer Crispe, *Chair;* Crista Gannon, *vice chair;* Bob Fisher, Jake White, Joanne Yankura, Jake Roberts

Absent: John Gannon; *Selectboard Rep.*, Gary Henry, Alan Baker, Ann

Ottaviano, Tim Hunt

Guests: Geri Kogut, Brian Hamill, Keith Herbert, Jennifer Fitzgerald

Meeting convened at 6:07 pm

Scheduled Agenda:

- 1. <u>Approval of Minutes</u>: Crista made a motion to accept the minutes for March 14, 2019. All approved.
- 2. <u>Public Participation</u>:
- a) Spencer announced that students at Dover Elementary School have expressed an interest in performing some trail work.
- b) Jennifer Fitzgerald asked for help identifying someone to discuss the history and location of Wilmington trails. The talk would be part of a SASH summer lecture series aimed at reducing social isolation.
- c) Three guests expressed interest in participating with the committee. Bob made a motion for anyone interested in becoming an alternate member to contact Jessica DeFrancesco. All approved.
- 3. <u>Election of officers:</u> Crista nominated Jake Roberts as vice chair. Bob made a motion to elect Jake Roberts as vice chair and to reelect the other current slate of officers. All approved.
- 4. National Trails Day, June 1st: Trail walk hosted by WTC will start at 9:30 am and showcase the new Beaver Brook Trail. The walk will be a loop route starting and ending at Wahoo's parking lot. Necessary work and equipment required to mark and prepare Beaver Brook and the loop trail were discussed and itemized. Promotional methods were discussed and planned. A work bee is scheduled for Thursday, April 25th at 5 pm. Meet at landing area between Laundromat and Dunkin Donuts buildings.
- 5. <u>Mowing Schedule:</u> Summer mowing frequency of individual trails, or trail sections, was discussed and decided.

New Business:

<u>USDA Forest Service Somerset Integrated Resource Project:</u> Bob made a motion to submit a response stating that the WTC does not support decommissioning the Forbush Road Trail to Haystack. All approved.

Ongoing Business:

<u>Primitive Trail Route/Reroute:</u> A work bee date will be set at the May meeting to reassess the landslide area and to consider options for restoring or rerouting the damaged trail section.

Next meeting: Thursday, May 9th @ 6 pm, Town Offices.

Motion made to adjourn. All agreed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:11 pm

Respectfully submitted, Joanne Yankura