

Wilmington Trail Committee
Minutes from Thursday, August 14 at 5:30 pm
Town Hall Meeting Room

Members present: Bob Fisher, Carol Bois, Elynn Lebron, Alan Baker

Absent: Joanne Yankura and Jeff Menges

Meeting called to order at 5:37 pm`

1. **Changes to the agenda:** Special thank you to Bob for all his years as Chairman
2. **Public Comments:** None.
3. **Approve minutes** from 7/10/2025: One change in the Health & Safety notes, change “Closed toed” to “Saftey” shoes – Carol made a motion to approve minutes as amended, Bob seconded, all in favor
4. **Financial Report:** Balance \$14,164.75 in the 1% Fund. HT&W Invoices covered separately: WW Invoice \$237.27 and Linseed oil \$165.71
5. **HT&W project updates:** Stairs have been completed, Target applying the linseed oil next week - Friday at 1:30 or Thursday at 3pm as back up plan.
6. **Ordinance** – Bob made a motion for committee to support the development of an animal control amendment that would require dogs to be leashed on at least HT&W, Valley, Monument, and Beaver Brook Trails. Carol seconded, all in favor.
7. **HT&W Fundraising plans** – Total donations to date on webpage: \$1,393.05. Put up signs at trailheads, still need to do so at Chimney Hill. Need to finalize the fundraising letter and plans to print it. Discussed mailing it with just QR code and URL (no return envelope) for first wave of letters.
8. **Work bee plans/priorities** – Lindseed Oil next week is the priority. Lisle hill has a lot of brush in the lollipop area – Elynn to cut back. Primitive Trail has a down tree – Alan to cut. Gretchen has had issues with people on the Valley Trail - Bob to update signage.

Health and Safety: There needs to be training if a chainsaw is involved – Alan and Joanne have done training. Town must manage this risk with protective equipment and training. Put together a one pager like: safety glasses, safety shoes, tick protection, work with a buddy and carry a phone.

9. **Other Business:**

- a. Valley Trail Reroute process Bob will talk to Gus Metcalfe to see if we can keep the original Valley Trail configuration.
- b. All the access agreements are hard copies in a notebook in the Town Manager's office. Schitt's Creek has not signed. Prior owner did, but non transferable.
- c. Wildlife festival at Mount Snow - Elynn to coordinate table with Mike.
- d. Town Plan – starting to work on new 8 year plan for 2026

Next meeting proposed September 4th at 5:30.

Elynn made a motion to adjourn at 6:57. Alan seconded. All in favor.

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Respectfully submitted,

Elynn Lebron

Action Items:

Carol:

- Post on Instagram info on HT&W and link to fundraising page.
- Contact Tanya Vital-Basile to sign the Access Agreement.
- Email Mike to connect him with Elynn to coordinate the table for the Wildlife festival.
- Follow up on training for chainsaw usage

Joanne:

- Follow up on when the shed will be available for storage

Elynn:

- Finalize draft of fundraising letter
- Create smaller signs for bulletin boards
- Trim brush at Lisle Hill
- Add a link to report trail issues on the donation page.
- Manage communication for the next Work bee – Linseed oil
- Manage communication with Mike regarding Wildlife festival at Mount Snow

Jeff:

- Post on Facebook info on HT&W and link to fundraising page.
- Put new signs in the office so people can put up if they are going to a trailhead.

Alan

- Take care of downed tree on the Primitive Trail - Done

Bob

- Put Donation page by kiosk at Chimney Hill and further up at the haystack trail.
- Update Valley trail signs to help keep folks off of Gretchen's property
- Speak with Gus about going back to original Valley trail route.