Wilmington Trail Committee Minutes from Thursday, September 4 at 5:30 pm Town Hall Meeting Room

Members present: Bob Fisher, Carol Bois, Elynn Lebron, Joanne Yankura and Jeff Menges Absent: Alan Baker

Meeting called to order at 5:37 pm`

1. Changes to the agenda: None.

2. Public Comments: None.

- 3. **Approve minutes** from 8/14/2025: Bob made motion to approve minutes as amended (to call out that the WW Invoice was not for the HT&W project), Carol seconded, all in favor.
- 4. **Wildlife show Mount Snow Update:** 9/21 from 10-4pm. Carol and Bob can't make it. Jeff, Jo and Elynn will be there. Elynn to finalize schedule after checking on Alan's availability. Jeff to print signs for the table, bring duct tape, table cloth and trail maps.
- 5. VT Recreation & Parks/Vt Trails & Greenways Council (VTGC) combined conference: October 8 9, 2025 in Killington Joanne and Carol are interested in attending some of the conference
- 6. Financial Report: Balance \$13,968.89 beginning of September in the 1% Fund.
- 7. **HT&W project updates:** Have been cutting lumber for boardwalks and bridges which will be installed starting next week. Great River Hydro requested a tour Friday 9/12. Gretchen announced that the Bi-Town Economic Development Committee has fall foliage photos planned on HT&W trail in October, but will not interfere with work. VOREC sent survey about the impact our grant has had on the community. Signs Joanne sent mockups of signs for the parking area and is moving forward with ordering them. WTC applied a coat of linseed oil to the new stairs, may apply another coat in the spring.
- 8. **HT&W Fundraising letter** Have a good draft of the letter. Jeff to format for printing. Joanne to get quotes from possible vendors. Bob made a motion to spend up to \$3,000 on the fundraising letter mailing, Carol seconded, all approved.
- 9. **Ordinance** Matt Murano suggested new language that requires dogs to be on a leash on all trails. Bob to discuss with Matt.

10. Work bee plans/priorities — Gus Metcalfe was ok with going back to original Valley trail route — Bob to update signage there and around Gretchen's property. Marshall fixed and installed the kiosk by the Reardon Bridge. The lollipop loop on Lisle Hill trail still needs trimming. Carol to coordinate a Work bee with Friends of Trails at 10am on Saturday 9/20. Lake Raponda trail needs some signs and some trimming — Carol to do this.

11. Other Business:

- a. Shed still working through details to get access to the shed for storage of WTC equipment.
- b. Mike from Stump Jumpers texted that the trails that were closed last season will be open this winter, so there shouldn't be any confusion this coming year with hiking access.

Next meeting October 9th at 5:30.

Joanne made a motion to adjourn at 6:53. Jeff seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Elynn Lebron

Action Items:

Carol:

- Coordinate Workbee with Friends of Trails on Lisle Hill Lollipop area on 9/20 @
 10am
- Put extra signs up and trim Lake Raponda trail

Joanne:

- Follow up on when the shed will be available for storage
- Research pricing to print fundraising letters

Elynn:

- Send details on plans for Wildlife Festival and signs for Jeff to print
- Send updated Flyers to WW, WW, Chamber, Chimney Hill

Jeff:

- Design fundraising letter and postcard with copy sent
- Print signs for Wildlife Festival

Alan

 Send email to Friends of Trails inviting them to participate in a work bee at 10am on Saturday 9/20 on Lisle Hill meet at Wahoo's.

Bob

- Discuss ordinance changes proposed regarding dogs on leash on trails with Matt, so that we can go to the Selectboard together.
- Update Valley Trail signs to help keep folks off of Gretchen's property. They are cutting into the woods by the powerline.