Carlisle Trails Committee Meeting Minutes October 7, 2016 Bert Willard, Secretary

Attendance: Alan Ankers, Marc Lamere, Steve Tobin, Warren Spence, Bert Willard.

Guests: Sylvia Willard, Roy Herold, Christoper LeStage.

Documents Presented:

None.

Old Business:

Approve Meeting Minutes:

The minutes for the September 2, 2016 meeting were approved as amended.

Trail Signs and Intersection Numbering:

Nine more sign posts were planted during the September 17 workday; 5 on Banta Davis and 4 at Carlisle Pines.

A motion passed to reimburse Alan Ankers for the 4x4x8 sign posts purchased on 9/7/16 at Concord Lumber for \$425.60, the amount to be taken from the CPA Fund.

Otter Slide Bridges:

The trail is badly blocked by "beaver brush."

Warren has met with Louise to learn more about preparing the wetlands filing.

Benches:

A total of five benches have now been installed.

Old Morse Road Erosion:

Alan had nothing to report. A tree needs to be felled before work can begin.

Trail Book Updates:

With Louise absent, there was nothing to report.

Woodhaven Farm:

Alan has put up a temporary sign on the Catbriar end of the trail indicating the new trail is not ready for use.

The exact location of the trail through the thicket needs to be flagged after the leaves fall. This will be planned at the November meeting.

Material Storage – O'Rourke Barn:

Marc talked with Gary Davis only to learn that there is no space available at the DPW site. Gary will look into the cost of a shipping container to be placed at Great Meadows near our bumpers.

New Business:

The Trekker Award Number 33 and patch were presented to Christoper LeStage by Steve.

Feedback to Selectmen on Deer Committee:

Steve read to the committee the draft document from the Selectmen who wish to have it finalized by October 24.

Opening on River Stewardship Committee:

Steve Tobin reported that Steve Pearlman is looking for a replacement for his position. Silence confirmed the lack of volunteers.

Recent Activities:

Steve Hinton added corner screws to secure the new Benfield platform plaque recently installed

On September 4, benches number 4 and 5 were installed at Spencer Brook and Twin Peaks.

Steve presented a huge list of trail work accomplished by himself in September; including trees removed from trails at Spencer Brook, Cranberry Bog, Rodgers Road, River Trail, Cutter's Ridge, Carlisle Pines. For a variation, he also mowed the Town Forest trails and dealt with sign posts and markers.

Plan Future Activities:

A town walk in the Town Forest, to show off the new Coyote Rock Trail, among others, will be offered on Sunday, October 16, starting at 11:00 am.

Other New Business:

Steve has received a donation to the committee from a group of bikers from Carlisle to the amount of \$349.00.

Steve presented a list of four signs that are broken and need replacing. A motion passed to permit Steve to spend up to \$200 to buy the necessary mahogany boards.

Schedule Next Meeting:

The next meeting is set for November 4.