

Carlisle Trails Committee Meeting Minutes
December 2, 2016
Bert Willard, Secretary

Attendance: Alan Ankers, Henry Cox, Louise Hara, Marc Lamere, Warren Spence, Steve Tobin, Bert Willard.

Guests: Alexandra Kao, Richie Chuang, David Freedman, Sylvia Willard, Roy Herold.

Documents Presented:

None.

Old Business:

Approve Meeting Minutes:

The minutes for the November 4 and November 21, 2016 meetings were approved as amended.

Trail Signs:

No discussion.

Otter Slide Bridges:

Sylvia gave to Warren a document from the Division of Fisheries and wildlife concerning the filling of holes in the trail. Sylvia will contact Steve Carlin about the State Park paying for the MESA (Mass. Endangered Species Act) review required by NHESP (Natural Heritage Endangered Species Program).

81 Russell Street:

Marc reported that Town Counsel has clarified that the public “stay out” lines on the plans are the hard lines delineating the driveway.

Marc also reported that the developer has offered to gift to the Trails Committee a sum of \$5,000 for boardwalk construction.

The trail location will not be flagged until the Town has received the conservation land.

Spencer Brook boardwalks:

No discussion.

New Benfield trail:

No discussion.

Trail Book Updates:

Louise and David Freedman will start work after the first of the new year, with a completion date goal of Old Home Day.

Banta-Fox Hill trail:

No discussion.

Sorli Farm – Ryan Land:

No discussion.

Material Storage – O’Rourke Barn:

Marc is still trying to contact Libby Herland.

From a web search, Marc discovered shipping containers cost roughly \$2500 to \$3500, depending upon the condition, with a shipping charge of \$425. A shipping container could be paid for from CPA funds.

Feedback to Selectmen on Deer Committee:

Steve has heard nothing back from the Selectmen.

New Business:

Recent Activities:

Up to 15 people attended the November 25 Two Rod Road turkey walk, that started out to be in light rain.

Trail Work Since Last Meeting:

Trees were removed from the Catbriar Trail and the Davis Corridor, and brush removed from the Otter Slide Trail.

Plan Future Activities:

Next years moonlight walk was set for January 7, this being the best date to have moonlight. The Cranberry Bog was selected.

Other New Business:

Richie Chuang, Life Scout, is looking for an Eagle Scout project. Louise suggested that the “Places of Interest” signs (installed for the bicentennial), see page 60 of the “Trails in Carlisle” are in need of replacing. This would require locating the signs, purchasing replacement 4x4 inch posts, applying for CPA funding, and talking with the Historic Commission. Richie accepted the project.

Schedule Next Meeting:

The next meeting is set for January 6.