

Carlisle Trails Committee Meeting Minutes  
February 3, 2017  
Bert Willard, Secretary

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

Guests: Roy Herold, Sylvia Willard, Margot Frost Stuart, Chris Chiapella.

**Documents Presented:**

None.

**Old Business:**

**Approve Meeting Minutes:**

The minutes for the January 6, 2017 meeting were approved as amended.

**Trail Book Updates:**

No progress was reported since the last meeting.

**Trail Signs and Intersection Numbering:**

Roy Herold asked about including adult artists to do the paints on the signs, now done by CPS art students. No action was taken.

**Otter Slide Bridges:**

Steve reported that the NHESP has signed off on the application to do the repair work on the trail and it is ready to submit to the state. The state has 30 days to respond.

A discussion of how best to fill the holes in the trail led to star pack as the best solution.

**Benches:**

Locations for new benches were proposed: Towle Field (high point in field), Cranberry Bog, first boardwalk from Foss Farm on the River Trail, Hal's boardwalk, Conant Land, Greenough, Malcolm Meadows.

Bert will send out a special notice to the trails LIST requesting suggestions for bench locations, the results to be presented at the next meeting.

**Rogers Road Trail:**

Steve reported that we do not know the location of the trail easement, so we are not ready to flag a trail.

**81 Russell Street:**

Sylvia reported that the hay bales have been properly installed along the road. She is uncertain as to the date that the land will be turned over to the town.

**Spencer Brook boardwalks:**

Scout Charlie Hutchinson is looking for an Eagle Scout project. Steve reported he is contemplating a Gazebo of other structure.

**Sorli Farm – Ryan Land:**

Wayne Davis has hand delivered the required document to the state.

**Woodhaven Farm:**

Steve will attend the Selectmens meeting on February 14 to discuss complaints received from neighbors of the proposed trail.

**Material Storage – O’Rourke Barn:**

Marc reported that Libby Herland is retiring in September, and that Tom Eagle will be replacing her.

Fish and Wildlife has a plan to dismantle the storage barn in 2018. A replacement will be built somewhere outside of Carlisle.

Marc discussed with Libby the idea of a storage shed near the location of the current cement bumpers. He asked permission to clear out the site.

**Annual Report:**

Steve has completed this task with high approval ratings from Trails Committee members.

**New Business:****Trail Connections – Chris Chiapella:**

Chris is interested in having a trail built from Log Hill Rd to the school (recognized as a long term project). This would be in the spirit of the state program, “Safe Routes to School,” which is a long-term project to link up neighborhoods with schools. Chris offered to be the liaison to the school.

**Cancelled January 7 Moonlight Walk:**

Steve proposed running another moonlight walk at the Cranberry Bog to replace the one that had to be cancelled in January because of hazardous weather. This was accepted and the date was set for Saturday, March 11, to coincide with a near full moon.

**Trail Work Since Last Meeting:**

The following people reported tree removal:

Roy; Rockstrom, Mist, Davis,  
Steve; Sachs Greenway, Fern Loop,  
Warren; Towle Field.

**Other New Business:**

Marc presented his current financial report:

Trail Book - \$15,366.30

Trail Grant - \$920.51

CPA - \$8100.20

Trails Gift - \$749.00.

**Schedule Next Meeting:**

The next meeting is set for March 3.