Carlisle Trails Committee Meeting Minutes April 7, 2017 Alan Ankers, Acting Secretary

Attendance: Alan Ankers, Louise Hara, Warren Spence, Steve Tobin, Henry Cox

Guests: Roy Herold, Steve Hinton.

Documents Presented:

None.

Old Business:

Approve Meeting Minutes:

The minutes for the March 3, 2017 meeting were approved as amended.

Trail Book Updates:

Louise had some more questions for the Trails Committee, resolved as follows:

The new trail across the Sorli field will be included.

The new loop in the woods at the Benfield land will be called the Spirit Trail.

Trails for 81 Russell Street (Garrison Place), Woodhaven Farm, and the new trail at Benfield will most likely not be completed by the time the book is published. They will be shown in the book as "Proposed Trails."

Trail Intersection Signs:

The next round of posts will be installed on a work day on April 30.

Otter Slide Bridges:

Conscom made a negative determination of applicability at their March 9 meeting. This completes all of the required approvals for the project to go ahead.

The work was scheduled for Saturday, May 20, with the intent of installing the bumpers the previous day, so that volunteers on Saturday can start work immediately. The sink holes will be filled later in the year, when water levels in the stream are lower.

Steve will contact the Senklers for permission to use Mill Pond Lane and Old Morse Road for access for a single vehicle to deliver materials. Volunteers will access the site via the Otter Slide trail from Curve Street.

Warren will order the lumber, after consulting with Marc on the inventory, with delivery to be made to Henry's house.

Warren will also order 30 new concrete bumpers. We have only three left, and the holes need to be drilled out. John Bakewell may be able to help with this.

A motion to purchase materials (bumpers and lumber) for the project, at a cost not to exceed \$3,000 was unanimously approved.

Benches:

Bert's list of proposed locations will be taken up at the next meeting.

Sorli Farm – Ryan Land:

Steve Hinton reported that the CR has finally been approved and closed. He was seeking input from the Trails Committee regarding the parking lot and sign, since he thought the Committee had mentioned some requirements in the past. Nobody present could recollect such a discussion; it was concluded that it was perhaps Marc who had been involved, via CRAC. Steve Hinton will contact Marc separately.

Steve Hinton also noted that Larry Sorli is amenable to a loop trail through the wooded area. A small group will meet on Sunday, April 23, (time to be determined) to flag this trail and also explore other possible trail locations in the adjacent Ryan Land (CCF) and Raymond property (currently for sale).

New Benfield Trail:

Steve and Louise walked the route on April 1, with Charlie Hutchinson, and made some minor adjustments to flags. Charlie agreed to pursue the construction of the trail as his Eagle Scout project. Louise and Alan will walk the route, at a time to be determined, to establish a GPS track so that the trail can be included in the book.

Woodhaven Farm:

The appearance at the Selectmen's meeting on March 14 was deferred, apparently indefinitely.

Steve will attend the Conscom meeting on April 13 to discuss routing part of the trail through the Town's Davis Corridor land.

CCF will take up discussion of neighborhood issues at their next meeting.

New Business:

Moonlight Walk:

The walk on March 11 was attended by 14 people, in cold weather with a clear moon.

Trail Work Since Last Meeting:

Several downed trees from recent storms were cleared from trails by Roy, Warren (Hurricane Alley, Greenough near parking lot, Bisbee) and Steve (Greenough, Pine loop).

Future Activities:

A walk for Earth Day will be held on Saturday, April 22, on the Davis Corridor trails, meeting at the Malcolm Meadows parking lot at 1:00 P.M.

A work day will be held on Sunday, April 30, to include installation of more sign posts and general trail clearing. Meeting at Town Hall, 9:00 A.M.

Alan will send notices to the Mosquito for these two events. Steve will notify the schools.

Schedule Next Meeting:

The next meeting is set for May 5.