Carlisle Trails Committee Meeting Minutes October 4, 2013 Bert Willard, Secretary

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

Guests: Sylvia Willard, Paul Bergeron, Chasidy Jaquith, Cindy Jaquith, Casey (the dog).

Documents Presented:

None.

Old Business:

Approve Meeting Minutes:

The minutes for the September 16, 2013 meeting were approved as amended.

Elliott Preserve Trail Work:

Steve needs to find cement block pavers to purchase.

The sidehilling needs to be completed, this may be done on October 19th.

SVT is conducting a walk on October 19, 9:00 to 10:00 am.

Spalding to Banta Boardwalk:

Alan and Marc met with Joe Marsh and Rick Amodei about the boardwalk location and design. They volunteered to stay involved with the planning for the boardwalk.

Meeting with Cons Com:

Warren and Steve attended the Cons Com meeting of September 26. They received approval to install the bench on the Greenough boardwalk, and to repair the Towle Property boardwalk. The new trail proposed for the Town Forest was postponed until an impact study to wildlife in the vicinity can be made. The trail construction will be put off for one year.

Hanover Hill Signs:

There needs to be some signage at the trailhead parking lot to counter the "Private Property No Trespassing" sign. Alan will take photos and recommend the best places for the signs.

Benfield Platform Plaque:

Louise reported that Jic Davis will mount the plaque this Saturday.

Choose Sites for October 6 Work Day:

The following trails were identified as in need of clearing: Davis Trail entrance on Rt 225, Spencer Brook platform entrance, Foss Farm south field perimeter, Malcolm Meadows handicap trail, new Greenough trail, Malcolm Meadows parking lot, Sachs Greenway, Beaver Trail Greenough, Pipeline Trail Cranberry Bog, Otter Slide Trail, Hart Farm Loop, all trails in Great Meadows.

New Greenough Trail:

The new trail will be cut on Sunday, October 20, meeting in the Greenough parking lot at 9:00 am, no town volunteers required.

New Business:

Recent Activities:

The boards left over from building the recent boardwalk at Foss Farm have been returned to the Greenough barn, except for the ones that have been severely eaten by carpenter ants.

The following are tasks recently completed: Piggery Road clearing, Buckthorn clearing at Greenough, install bench on boardwalk on the River Trail Greenough, repair Towle bridge, mowing of trails in the Town Forest.

Trail Clearing Work Day:

November 3 was set for a work day to clear trails in Great Meadows, provided the Federal Government has reopened by then. We will meet at the Town Hall at 9:00 am.

Donation:

A \$100 donation to the Trails Committee has been received from the group of mountain bikers that recently rode all our trails.

This brings the total Trails Committee funds to \$10,579.

Web Site Maintenance:

Alan will ask Lisa Ankers if she is interested in taking over the maintenance, now that Kevin Smith is no longer doing the task.

Other Business:

Steve reminded those who helped install the bench on the River Trail boardwalk to log in their time to the US Fish & Wildlife people.

Schedule next meeting:

The next meeting will be November 1, 2013.