

Carlisle Trails Committee Meeting Minutes
April 4, 2014
Bert Willard, Secretary

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

Guests: Sylvia Willard.

Documents Presented:

None.

Old Business:

Approve Meeting Minutes:

The minutes for the March 7, 2014 meeting were approved as amended (spelling).

Elliot Preserve Trail Work:

Steve is continuing work on the permitting.

Spalding to Banta-Davis Boardwalk:

Steve and Alan made recommendations to Rick Amodei that could reduce the cost.

Rangeway Conservation Land:

Steve has installed trail markers.

Boy Scout Trail Project at Spencer Brook.

After checking the site again Steve is convinced that a boardwalk is needed as part of the project proposed by scout Matt Roberts.

Trail Signs and Intersection Numbering.

Steve received positive interest from K-5 art teacher Rachel Levy, in his proposal to get the students to paint the signs with individual nature-inspired designs. There are about 180 intersections (excluding the state park) needing signs. Steve suggested picking one or two parcels the first year to see how it goes with the students and installing the signs on posts. Committee members would cut, route, and paint the numbers. The school art students would add the art work and do the final seal. The Town Forest would require 14 signs and The Towle Property 15 signs.

It was agreed that each trail junction sign must have its own unique town wide designation; one letter for the property and two numbers for the junction. This is required since they would be entered on the master GPS town-wide map, from which the trail book pages are cut.

New Business:

Conservation Boards Joint Meeting:

This is set for April 9, at 7:30 pm in the Town Hall.

Plan April Activities:

Bryan Windmiller will be leading the vernal pool walk on April 27, at 10:00 am on the Conant land. Alan will notify the Mosquito.

Riverfest Walk June 21:

The walk will start at 1:30 pm at the Foss Farm parking lot. The walk will extend into the Greenough property to the dam.

Other Business:

Sylvia reported that according to Gary Davis, the Greenough dam spillway is being eroded away and now is supported only on four rotting pillars. It may need a boardwalk over the spillway in case it should collapse unexpectedly.

Schedule next meeting:

The next meeting will be May 2, 2014.