

HOLLISTON TRAILS COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

MEETING DATE: May 17, 2022 at 7:00 PM (Hybrid Participation)

ISSUE DATE: July 20, 2022

PRESENT

VOTING MEMBERS: Herb Brockert, Ken Henderson, Mark Kaplan, Bud Schmitt and Robert Weidknecht

ABSENT

VOTING MEMBERS: Marc Connelly, Martha Ellis

PRESENT

ALTERNATE MEMBERS: None

ABSENT

ALTERNATE MEMBERS: Chris Cain

GUESTS: None

PREPARED BY: Mark Kaplan

COPIES TO: Tina Hein, Select Board
Travis Ahern, Town Administrator
Elizabeth Greendale, Town Clerk
Karen Sherman, Town Planner

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Emergency Remote Participation. Robert Weidknecht reviewed the special procedures for conducting the Trails Committee meeting by remote participation.

2. Approve Minutes from Prior Meetings. Herb Brockert moved to accept the minutes of the April 19, 2022 meeting of the Holliston Trails Committee. Ken Henderson seconded the motion, and the vote in favor of the motion was 5-0-0.

3. Invoices.

- a. Holliston True Value. Ken Henderson moved to authorize payment to Holliston True Value for Milorganite fertilizer in the amount of \$20.89, to be payable from the Maintenance Account. Herb Brockert seconded the motion, and the vote was 5-0-0 in favor.

4. Fence Damage – Central Street Area. Robert Weidknecht reported that a truck damaged the fencing on the trail behind Casey's Public House. The driver has been identified and the Facilities Department will repair the damage.

5. Potential Volunteer Project – Youth Group at Temple Beth Torah. Bud Schmitt will seek to coordinate a cleanup project in the South Street area that was requested by this youth group.

6. Signs Needed – Solect Parking Area. Herb Brockert reported that the new signs for the Solect parking area are ready, and will be installed in the next week or two.

7. Phipps Tunnel Area.

a. Proposals from Engineers. Robert Weidknecht reported that he is still waiting to receive a proposal for repairing the north face of Phipps Tunnel.

b. Drainage Materials for East Side. Robert Weidknecht reported that he will work through the Highway Department to obtain needed drainage materials for this project. A discussion followed.

8. Blair Square Committee Update. Herb Brockert reported that the Blair Square Committee will focus future efforts on fundraising.

9. Comprehensive Long Range Plan Update. Ken Henderson reported that this committee presented an overview of the status of Envision Holliston at Spring Town Meeting. The purpose of the presentation was to give standing Town committees a guide for future development efforts. A consultant will develop a master plan for the Town.

10. Scout Projects.

a. Thomas Whynot – Drainage at Monroe Drive Area. This project is scheduled for May 22, 2022.

b. Vyom Shah – Railing Near Washington Street. This project has been tentatively scheduled for June 22, 2022.

11. Trail Conditions.

a. Tree Maintenance. Robert Weidknecht reported that tree maintenance needs have been documented for a significant portion of the Trail, and future maintenance will be based on this

documentation. Travis Ahern will use the documentation in connection with DPW's contracts with tree services.

b. Landscape Improvements. Bud Schmitt provided an update on landscaping plans for major street crossings.

c. Drainage Repair 354- 360 Woodland Street. Herb Brockert reported that not much progress has been made on this repair. Herb will contact the Highway Department.

12. Set Next Meeting Date. The next meeting will be held on June 15, 2022 at 7 p.m.

13. Meeting Adjournment. Bud Schmitt moved to adjourn the meeting. Ken Henderson seconded the motion, and the vote for adjournment was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'R. Weidknecht', is written over a light blue rectangular background.

Robert Weidknecht – Chairman