

## **HOLLISTON TRAILS COMMITTEE**

## **MEETING MINUTES**

MEETING DATE: October 15, 2015 at 7:00 PM, Holliston Town Hall

ISSUE DATE: November 24, 2015

### **PRESENT**

VOTING MEMBERS: Herb Brockert, Martha Ellis, Mark Kaplan and Robert Weidknecht

### **ABSENT**

VOTING MEMBERS: Marc Connelly, Ken Henderson

### **GUESTS:**

Bobby Blair  
Mary Greendale

PREPARED BY: Mark Kaplan

COPIES TO: Jay Marsden, Board of Selectmen  
Beth Liberty, Finance Committee  
Jeff Ritter, Town Administrator  
Elizabeth Greendale, Town Clerk  
Karen Sherman, Town Planner

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

1. **Eight-Arch Bridge Restoration Project.** Mary Greendale informed the Trails Committee that she is establishing a committee to raise funds for the rehabilitation of the Eight-Arch Bridge. She hopes to raise \$250,00 - \$500,000 and complete the restoration by October 2017, when Holliston will host the America In Bloom Symposium. A discussion followed.
2. **Approval of Meeting Minutes from September 24, 2015 Meeting.** Mark Kaplan moved to accept the minutes of the September 24, 2015 meeting of the Holliston Trails Committee. Herb Brockert seconded the motion, and the vote in favor of the motion was 4-0-0.
3. **Invoices.**
  - a. Herb Brockert. Martha Ellis moved to reimburse Herb Brockert for the purchase of primer from B&T Autobody for the Arch Street and Exchange Street railings in the amount of \$253.71, to be payable from the Gift Account. Mark Kaplan seconded the motion, and the vote was 3-0-1 in favor, with Herb Brockert abstaining.

- b. Herb Brockert. Martha Ellis moved to reimburse Herb Brockert for the purchase of welding supplies from Middlesex Gases & Technologies for the Arch Street and Exchange Street railings in the amount of \$120.29, to be payable from the Gift Account. Mark Kaplan seconded the motion, and the vote was 3-0-1 in favor, with Herb Brockert abstaining.
  - c. Herb Brockert. Martha Ellis moved to reimburse Herb Brockert for the purchase of welding supplies from Middlesex Gases & Technologies for the Arch Street and Exchange Street railings in the amount of \$77.45, to be payable from the Gift Account. Mark Kaplan seconded the motion, and the vote was 3-0-1 in favor, with Herb Brockert abstaining.
4. **Solect Solar-Construction Status.** Herb Brockert provided an update on Solect Solar's progress on required improvements. A few open items remain, including installation of pillars and signage on the bridge.
  5. **Summer Street Crossing Signal.** Robert Weidknecht reported that he received a revised invoice for materials, which will be paid by the Friends of Holliston Trails group.
  6. **Trail Connection to Community Building - 1750 Washington Street.** Robert Weidknecht reported that he cleared a path from the trail to the Community Building, and that the Highway Department cut some trees and bittersweet. However, the path needs to be extended to have a proper slope, which will require additional work.
  7. **Railings for Arch Street.** Herb Brockert reported that he has built the railings for the Arch Street Bridge and will move them to the DPW prior to installation, which is planned for this upcoming Saturday. He also reported that bolts and washers are needed for the railings on the Arch and Exchange Street bridges, which will cost around \$250. Herb will check with the Highway Department to see if they have a vendor through which this hardware can be obtained.
  8. **Trail Surface Construction - Cross Street to Pulte.** The Trails Committee discussed construction of the trail surface from Cross Street to the Pulte Homes construction site, and agreed that it would be completed next year.
  9. **Trail Surface Construction - Removal of Ties.** The Trails Committee determined that the pile of railroad ties at South Street would not be removed until next year.
  10. **Set Next Meeting Date:** The next meeting will be held on October 27, 2015 at 7 p.m.

11. **Meeting Adjournment.** Herb Brockert moved to adjourn the meeting. Martha Ellis seconded the motion, and the vote for adjournment was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'RW', is written over a faint, light blue circular stamp.

Robert Weidknecht – Chairman