

HOLLISTON TRAILS COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

MEETING DATE: November 9, 2016 at 7:00 PM, Holliston Town Hall

ISSUE DATE: December 7, 2016

PRESENT

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

ABSENT

VOTING MEMBERS: Martha Ellis, Marc Connelly

GUESTS:

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. Approval of Meeting Minutes from Prior Meetings. Bud Schmitt moved to accept the minutes of the September 1, 2016 meeting of the Holliston Trails Committee. Ken Henderson seconded the motion, and the vote in favor of the motion was 4-0-0, with Mark Kaplan abstaining.

2. Invoices.

- a. Holliston Tru-Value. Herb Brockert moved to authorize payment to Holliston Tru-Value for knife blades and lag screws in connection with trail construction in the amount of \$50.22, to be payable from the DCR 2014 Account. Bud Schmitt seconded the motion, and the vote was 5-0-0 in favor.
- b. Medway Lumber. Ken Henderson moved to authorize payment to Medway Lumber for Arch Street Bridge decking materials in the amount of \$271.65, to be payable from the DCR 2014 Account. Bud Schmitt seconded the motion, and the vote was 5-0-0 in favor.
- c. Medway Lumber. Ken Henderson moved to authorize payment to Medway Lumber for Arch Street Bridge decking materials in the amount of \$355.35, to be payable from the

DCR 2014 Account. Bud Schmitt seconded the motion, and the vote was 5-0-0 in favor.

3. **8-Arch Bridge Status - Meeting with Selectmen.** Robert Weidknecht informed the Trails Committee that the Board of Selectmen requested the Committee to design and manage the project to renovate the 8-Arch Bridge. After discussion, the Selectmen agreed to establish a separate committee for this sole purpose. Herb Brockert agreed to serve as the Committee liaison to this committee.
4. **Eamonn Powers, National Honor Society Project - Trail Cleanup.** Ken Henderson reported that he spoke with Eamonn about his project, and advised him to narrow the scope of his project and document what he wants to do. Conservation Commission approval will be required.
5. **Jamie Ogilvie, Eagle Scout Project - Story Walk Trail.** Robert Weidknecht reported that Jamie is installing posts for the Story Walk trail this weekend.
6. **Harrison Smith, Eagle Scout Project - To Be Determined.** Ken Henderson reported that he walked the Trail by Mayflower Landing with Harrison and determined that Harrison may organize a Spring 2017 project to clear the Trail of heavy brush from Mayflower Street to Washington Street.
7. **Drainage Improvements - Pulte Area.** Herb Brockert reported that he spoke with an official from Pulte, who said they would make the necessary drainage improvements, but hadn't done so yet due to weather conditions.
8. **Trail Surface - Church Street Northerly.** Robert Weidknecht will prepare a required Conservation Commission filing in connection with installing a stone dust surface on the Trail from Church Street northerly.
9. **Rapid Flashing Beacons.** Robert Weidknecht reported that although Town Committee had approved flashing beacons at the intersections of Central and Summer Streets, it would be preferable to install temporary signage at Central Street until a design for Blair Square is finalized.
10. **Events - Clark University - Access Via Trail to ACOE Land Near Hopping Brook.** Robert Weidknecht reported that Clark University has asked for permission to install monitoring wells near Hopping Brook. Robert has drafted recommended conditions for this project.
11. **DCR 2012 Grant.** The DCR 2012 Grant has been fully expended.

- 12. Griffin Electric Project.** Robert Weidknecht reported that Griffin Electric intends to make landscape improvements near their property, and wants to do a cleanup near the Select cattle pass, possibly this fall.
- 13. Encroachments.** Robert Weidknecht reported that he discussed the several encroachments on the trail with the Board of Selectmen. Town counsel will assist and advise on resolutions to these encroachments.
- 14. Set Next Meeting Date:** The next meeting will be held on December 6, 2016 at 7 p.m.
- 15. Meeting Adjournment.** Herb Brockert moved to adjourn the meeting. Bud Schmitt seconded the motion, and the vote for adjournment was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Robert Weidknecht – Chairman