Holland Trails Committee Minutes

Date: September 27, 2023

Present: Richard & Chris Haller, Jackie Proko, Robert Pellicane, and Jeff Frohn

Due to COVID-19 concerns, this meeting was convened remotely. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by Dick Haller.

The minutes of the meeting held July 26, 2023 were approved.

Chris presented the treasurer's report. The balance is \$2,172.56.

Old Business

The trail from the Community Center to Lake Siog has been flagged, but the police need to be contacted to ensure that there is no conflict with the firing range.

The workday on August 5th had eight participants. Signs were posted. The new trail which loops from the bridge was cleared. This is the first trail established on the other side of Stevens Brook.

The workday on September 2nd had six participants. The yellow and orange trails were maintained, trash was removed, and a large sign was installed at the trailhead.

Bob and Meghan Pelicane worked with Dick to put appropriate signs on the border of their property. They met August 2nd from 9:00 to 11:30 to accomplish this.

In addition, Dick has blazed the white trail which goes through Bob and Meg's land and has removed fallen trees from the path. He also put up a sign on Stafford Road.

The Zucchini Festival was Sunday, August 20th. Jackie, Dick, and Chris were at a Trails table from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm. They were able to talk about local trails with members of the public, four of whom signed up for the Committee's emails.

New Business

This is probably Jackie's last meeting as she and Steve are moving to Maine. The Committee thanks her for her many contributions and especially for establishing the Facebook page which now has over 600 followers.

Jeff is considering joining the Trails Committee. He has been an important participant in workdays, and the Committee would be pleased to welcome him should he decide to become a member.

The Walktober hike is scheduled for Sunday, October 8th from 1:30 to 3:00. We will follow the yellow, orange, and white trails, and will return to the trailhead via Blodgett Road. Dick will lead the walk.

The workday scheduled for October 22nd will probably be the final one this year. It is scheduled from 9:00 to 12:00. We will create a new trail to bypass the old skid road which is washed out, full of puddles, and has a small stream flowing down it.

We will meet next on October 25th at 7:00 pm. Because of conflicts with the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays, we will have single meeting for November and December. That meeting will be December 13th.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 pm.

Richard Haller Chairman