

Holland Trails Committee Minutes

Date: April 24, 2019

Present: Richard & Chris Haller, Anne Hall, and Marcia Beal

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Dick Haller. The minutes of the meeting held March 27th were approved.

Chris presented the treasurer's report. \$247.11 was expended since our last meeting. The balance is \$2,102.89.

Old Business

The sign has been purchased. Anne asked members of the committee to send photos which could enhance it. It was unanimously agreed that \$100 should be spent to complete the sign. We may wish to have printed generic postings such as "Bike Holland", "Hike Holland Trails", and "Paddle Holland Waters".

We will try to set a date for work on the Fuller Dam site trail after the Annual Town Meeting.

Dick talked to Brenda Palmer about trail maintenance at the Center. She will try to enlist volunteers. Non-chemical controls are required, but she is concerned that a weed burner might not be used correctly.

There has been an agreement with the Sichol family regarding sale of the property. An FAQ has been prepared. The following events were planned, each of which can help inform the public: clean-up day, the Opacum breakfast, an evening presentation (with the completed video), and our first walk, Saturday, April 6th at 10:00. Posters will be placed in key locations in town. We may wish to add an additional evening meeting.

The Committee unanimously approved the expenditure of up to \$1,000 for the printing and mailing of an informational letter regarding acquisition of the Sichol property.

The first of these events, the clean-up day, attracted about 20 people. Unfortunately, the weather was not conducive to a large turnout.

New Business

The Brimfield 5k is Saturday at 10 am. Our spring workday is Saturday, May 5th. We will focus on raking and litter removal. The paddle is scheduled for Saturday, June 1st. We will begin at 10:00, but those wishing to make it a one-way trip should be there at 9:30.

Dick will meet with the Selectmen regarding placement of the new sign.

The health fair to be held at the Center on Tuesday, September 17th will last from 10 to 3. The Committee is interested in having a table.

Our next meeting is May 22nd.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15.

Richard Haller
Chairman