Holland Trails Committee Minutes

Date: June 23, 2021

Present: Richard & Chris Haller, Bob Pellicane, and Jackie Proko

Due to COVID-19 concerns, this meeting was convened remotely. The meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM by Dick Haller. The minutes of the meeting held April 28th were approved.

Chris presented the treasurer's report. The balance is \$2,350. Any bills for this fiscal year need to be submitted very soon.

Old Business

Brock Jenkins was approved as a member by the Select Board.

The Select Board will write a letter requesting the removal of the signs on Morse Road.

Both grants for the purchase of the Sichol property have been extended until June 30, 2022.

Two signs have been designed by Laney Wilder of Opacum Land Trust. The first lists the official name for the property: Stevens Brook Sichol Community Forest. The second acknowledges those who helped the town purchase the property. The cost of printing will be absorbed by Opacum.

A spring walk went forward on May 8th. Attending were Marcia Beal (Conservation & Open Space), Glen Colburn, Al Smith (both of Opacum), Dick & Chris, and Bob and his family. Possible trail routes were explored. Google maps was used to begin to map a potential trail system.

The participants met with the couple who are currently camping on the property. They are prepared to move whenever necessary.

New Business

The Highway Department has agreed to create a 45' x 54' parking area which will accommodate ten cars. The area will be spread with 7/8" minus gravel six inches deep. This will require the purchase of about 60 yards of material.

The Committee voted unanimously to spend up to \$2,000 on gravel and to up to \$250 on a lockable glass-covered bulletin board to display temporary notices. It was unanimously decided to spend any remaining money on signs.

The deadline for Walktober proposals was June 6th. The Committee will not schedule anything this year but will plan events for the fall of 2022.

We will meet next on July 28th. The meeting will be convened remotely unless we are informed that this is no longer allowed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40.

Richard Haller Chairman