

TOWN OF NORFOLK
Rails to Trails Committee

Mission

“To develop a multiple use handicapped accessible trail through Norfolk utilizing parts of the existing railroad bed.”

Meeting Minutes: Thursday, August 9, 2018

Town Hall, Norfolk, CT

Committee Members Present: Bob Gilchrest, Michelle Childs, Dave Beers & Matt Riiska

Also Present: Richard Byrne

Meeting Called to Order: 6:04 PM

Minutes

Review of minutes for the June 12, 2018 meeting: Motion MC to accept the minutes, Second BG;
Passed

Review of minutes for the July 12, 2018 meeting: Motion BG to accept the minutes, Second DB;
Passed

Treasurer's Report

No Transactions - Nothing to Report

Account Balance: \$20,072.67

Motion MR to reimburse BG \$250.20 for “Tour de Forest” flyers & map, 2nd MC, Passed

Updates:

WIN Weekend:

BG thanked Richard Byrne for his talk on Stoney Lonesome at the trail. Bad weather kept the crowds away, but the informative talk was well received.

“Tour-de-Forest”: Scheduled for Saturday, October 27th

Distribution of Flyers – BG & DB distributed event flyers

Motion by BG to share 25% of the event proceeds with Great Mountain Forest, Second MC,
Passed

MR to have Royal Flush provide a porta-potty to the GMF headquarters for the event.

MR to obtain a liability waiver from the Town insurer CIRMA for the event.

We will need a list of volunteers for the event by the September meeting

MR to contact Matt Ludwig to see if the Fire Department could help with the event.

DEEP Grant

The DEEP Grant is back in play.

BG will update the grant application and re-submit.

Items that will be updated:

Catholic through the Archdiocese is OK with the R2T to use the St. Mary's cemetery property for the parking area & access path to the North Brook Trail.

Current Budget

Public Participation

Letter of Support from Town

Application Signed by Town

BG will have the updated application at the September meeting for review.

Northwest Connecticut Community Foundation

BG motion to apply for a grant from the Northwest Connecticut Community Foundation for funds to be used for the work on the North Brook Trail parking area. Second DB,

Passed

BD will prepare the application.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:58 PM, Motion BG, Second: DB

Respectfully Submitted

Matt Riiska

Matt Riiska, Secretary