

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, February 14, 2019

Town Hall, Norfolk, CT

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

Also Present: Libby Borden & Bill Brown from the EDC

Meeting Called to Order: 6:03 PM

Minutes

Review of minutes for the Thursday, January 10, 2019 meeting Motion DB to accept the minutes, Second MC; Passed Unanimously

Treasurer's Report

DB reported that the R2T Committee paid GMF \$283 from proceed from the Tour de Forest event.

Current general account balance is \$20,760

Motion MR to accept Treasurer's report, Second MC; Passed Unanimously

Comments:

BG greeted LB & BB explaining where our focus is now, completing the North Brook Trail & how we plan to expand our efforts to get the trails north of the center of town tied in. There will be more of a focus on developing the Woodcreek portion of the trail to accomplish this.

BB asked if the trails have a certain unique feature; i.e. historical, ecological, etc.. BD & BG explained some of the history of the rail line through Norfolk and how kiosks on the trails will be added to explain the historical importance.

BB explained how the Town website will be updated to include more town information and events that are scheduled. He commented on how the EDC would like to promote the many weekend events, promoting “Weekends in Norfolk”.

LB suggested the R2T Committee work with the City Meadow Committee and the Norfolk Land Trust to develop ideas on combining their efforts.

Northbrook Trail Parking Lot

Discussion continue with the Catholic Church & the St. Mary Cemetery Committee on the development of the Northbrook Trail parking lot.

Other Comments

BG made a motion for the R2T committee to join purchase a membership to “The Hub” for \$100 to help promote the R2T efforts. Second DB; Passed Unanimously

All regular meetings will be held at the Town Hall

Next meeting will be March 14, 2019

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

Respectfully Submitted

Matt Riiska

Matt Riiska, Secretary