

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, April 8, 2021

Meeting conducted on Zoom.

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

Also, on call: David Keating, CATV6, Audra Moss

Meeting Called to Order: 6:02 PM

Minutes

- Review of minutes from March 11, 2021; Motion to Approve Minutes ML, Second MC, Passed Unanimously.

Treasure's Report

No new transactions – No Report

Housatonic Heritage Walk

MC is the coordinator for the Housatonic Heritage Walk

The Walk will be on September 19

More information on the walk is located at www.housatonicheritage.org/events/heritage-walks

North Brook Trail

Beaver Management – WL worked with Bill Couch creating a beaver deceiver similar to what we could build on the North Brook Trail

MR will collect the following materials so WL & BG can build a deceiver at one of the dams on the trail. Planning on a building party the weekend of 4/17.

Material needed:

- (2) 15" culverts – 20' long
- (1) Coupler
- (6) Cement Blocks

WL will pick up a gabion cage at the Town Farm

BG & WL have opened up the trail from the proposed parking area at 272 to the trail.

Atlantic Brewing Company Grant

Discussion of a grant being offered by the Atlantic Brewing Company “Two for the Trails” grant. Grant Applications need to be in by May 31.

D Beers will complete application.

D Beers needs Town EIN # - MR to supply

Tour de Forrest

Tentative Date: Saturday, October 9th

D Beers to contact GMF

WIN Weekend

Set up a kiosk with information on the trail progress & being environmentally friendly. This will include how the R2T is including beaver deceivers in their plans to help maintain the beavers' environment while still keeping the trail open.

Next meeting will be Thursday, May 13, 2021

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:53 PM, Motion ML, Second: MR

Respectfully Submitted

Matt Riiska

Matt Riiska, Secretary