

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, June 10, 2021

Meeting held at the Norfolk Town Hall

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

Meeting Called to Order: 6:04 PM

**Minutes**

Review of minutes from May 13, 2021; Motion to Approve Minutes WL,  
Second ML, Passed Unanimously.

**Treasure's Report**

No new transactions – No Report

**North Brook Trail**

Received an email from Stephany Dumond, CT DEEP, Burr Pond Management Unit, informing the Norfolk Rail to Trails committee that all future work regarding the work on the North Brook Trail especially regarding beaver management, needs to be reviewed by the DEEP. MR will contact Mike Callahan of the Beaver Institute about the installation of beaver deceivers. The R2T committee will discuss with Mike on the development of a plan for beaver management. Motion to appropriate \$2000 for the plan, WL, Second D Byrne, Passed Unanimously MC will ask if Starling could take photos with his drone to prepare a report for the DEEP on how and where beaver deceivers could be installed.

**North Brook Trail Parking**

D Beers will collect information on GIS mapping and topo maps for the development of the wetlands approval process.

**WIN Weekend**

Set up a kiosk with information on the trail progress at the Farmers Market on Saturday, July 31  
WL to contact Berkshire Bike & Board asking if they would like to participate.

**Tour de Forrest**

Date: Saturday, October 9<sup>th</sup>  
D Beers & BG reported that GMF & the Curling Club have given their OK  
The event has been advertised and registration is available on bikereg.com  
Event Ideas: Contact Atlantic Brewing Company about participation & if the committee should contact a food truck.

BG reported there are now 500 followers on Facebook.

Next meeting will be Thursday, July 8, 2021

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM, Motion D Byrne, Second: ML

Respectfully Submitted

*Matt Riiska*

Matt Riiska, Secretary