

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: Thursday, January 9, 2025

Meeting held at the Norfolk Town Hall

Committee Members Present: West Lowe, Bob Gilchrest, Michelle Childs, Dave Beers, John Anderson, Erick Olsen, Gary Scheft, & Matt Riiska

Meeting Called to Order: 6:02 PM

Minutes: Minutes for December 12, 2024, Motion to accept minutes: Motion WL, 2nd MC, Passed Unanimous

Minutes from November 14, 2025, meeting will be reviewed at the February 13, 2025, Meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Account Balance \$43,576.00

Motion to accept Treasurer's Report: Motion to accept Treasurer's Report: Motion EO, 2nd WL, Passed Unanimous

MR will ask Town Treasurer to move funds into a higher yield account.

North Brook Trail Updated

BG reported that the 2nd Qtr Report for the DEEP has been sent.

Kim Bradley of the DEEP wants to meet at the North Brook Trail on January 24th at 9:00 AM

CT-DEEP General Permit – Still waiting for the DEEP who is still reviewing the permit application.

MR to contact the DEEP

Art Event

DB is organizing the event with the Norfolk Artists & Friends

Event will be at “The Hub” from March 1, 2025, to April 10, 2025

There will be (2) receptions. At the opening, Sunday, March 2, 2025, from 3 – 5 & on Sunday, March 30, 2025, from 3 – 5

R2T will provide refreshments for both events, MR to coordinate – Artists & Friends will provide wine.

R2T will receive 25% of the proceeds.

DB presented a flyer that will be distributed. R2T will place a half page ad in the March edition of Norfolk Now for the event.

Motion to place add, EO, 2nd MR, Passed Unanimous

WIN Weekend

BG to inform Sue Frisch that the R2T Committee will conduct a trail walk on Saturday, February 22nd at 10:00 AM

Manor House Support

The committee reviewed a letter of support for the Manor House Project.

Motion to present the letter to the Planning & Zoning Commission: Motion GS, 2nd MR, Passed with the following exceptions.

BG recused himself from the discussion and the approval of the letter.

JA reused himself because he is a member of the Conservation Commission who is reviewing the application.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 PM. Motion WL, Second MC

Next meeting will be Thursday, March 13, 2025

Respectfully Submitted

Matt Riiska

Matt Riiska, Secretary