



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, May 9, 2024

Meeting held at the Norfolk Town Hall

Committee Members Present: Dave Beers, West Lowe, Gary Scheft, Bob Gilchrest, Andra Moss, Michelle Childs, & Matt Riiska

Meeting Called to Order: 6:02 PM

Minutes: Review Minutes from the April 11, 2024, meeting: Motion to accept minutes: Motion WL, 2<sup>nd</sup> AM, Passed Unanimous

Treasurer's Report: Current Account Balance: \$39,580

Payment to CT-DEEP, Land & Water Resource Division (LWRD) App, \$1,250.00

Motion to accept Treasurer's Report: Motion WL, 2<sup>nd</sup> AM, Passed Unanimous

CT Recreational Trail Grant

Grant application on March 1, 2023 - Should receive feedback from the DEEP in May.

LWRD App submitted with \$1,250.00 app fee – Acknowledged by DEEP

North Brook Trail Design

Town Wetlands & P & Z Application process will start in June.

Need to discuss the flooding issues caused by the beavers – Need to review acceptable processes with DEEP.

MR will contact Mike Callahan to arrange a visit to Norfolk to discuss options.

- We might need the Beaver Institute's comments and recommendations for Wetlands App

Tour de Forest

The date for the 2024 Tour de Forest – Saturday, October 19 – Pricing will not change from 2023.

The Curling Club has scheduled a Pig Roast for the same day.

WL & GS have volunteered to set up a table at the Tour of Litchfield on August 4<sup>th</sup>.

DB reported that there that Bike Reg has no other local events scheduled for that date.

DB reported on placing an ad in the Adirondacks Sports

- The committee agreed to place an ad in the paper in August & September promoting the Tour de Forest.

Motion to place an ad for (2) months at a cost of \$225/month MR, 2<sup>nd</sup> WL, Passed Unanimous

WIN Weekend – August 2, 3 & 4

No firm commitment at this time

Fund Raising

Rail to Trails Trail Mix

GS has been investigating the committee producing trail mix to sell at local venues.

GS will be contacting Guido's about pricing for ingredients.

Start with 200 lbs. to see how it will sell.

Packaging to including a Go-Fund-Me option for people to donate to the Rail to Trails

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 PM. Motion MR, Second BG

Next meeting will be Thursday, June 13, 2024

Respectfully Submitted

*Matt Riiska*

Matt Riiska, Secretary