

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, June 13, 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

Also Attending the Meeting: Mike Zarfos, Executive Director, GMF

Meeting Called to Order: 6:04 PM

Minutes: Review Minutes from the May 9, 2024, meeting: Motion to accept minutes: Motion DB, 2nd AM, Passed Unanimous

Treasurer's Report: Current Account Balance: \$39,580
Motion to accept Treasurer's Report: Motion WL, 2nd AM, Passed Unanimous

CT Recreational Trail Grant
We were not chosen for the grant.

North Brook Trail Design
The State has provided a General Permit # for the project.
The Wetlands application will be submitted on July 1st and the P & Z application will be submitted on July 9th.
We have received an Encroachment Permit from the DOT for the parking lot apron and the drainage. The permit is good until February 2025. MR will have the Public Works Department install the driveway apron and the drainage in the fall of 2024.

Tour de Forest
The ad has been placed in Adirondak Sports Magazine for the month of August and September – This was paid for by the EDC as part of their tourism line.
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.
The route will be slightly changed from previous years by eliminating the downtown section of the shorter Tour de Forest route.
The Gravel ride portion will also be modified to get the riders off Route 44. A short section will be added through the Town Farm and Transfer Station. MR will contact the PW department to get the trail mowed.

WIN Weekend – August 2, 3 & 4
No firm commitment currently

Fund Raising
Rail to Trails Trail Mix: GS will be having (60) test bags of trail mix produced to test the market. GS has set-up a Go-Fund-Me. A link for the Go-Fund-Me will be on the R2T Facebook page. GS suggested we include the video on the Facebook page. BG/DB will assist in making the video(s) available.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:05 PM. Motion MR, Second BG

Next meeting will be Thursday, July 11, 2024

Respectfully Submitted

Matt Riiska

Matt Riiska, Secretary