

Minutes of the Forests and Trails Committee
Town of Conway, Massachusetts
March 23, 2022
6:30 pm Town Hall

Present:

Members: Marilyn Webster, Deb Donaldson, Priscilla Lynch, Paul Charest, Suzanne Artemieff
Associate Members: Cynthia Lawton-Singer, Courtney Gilligan

Called to order, 6:34 pm by Deb Donaldson

Minutes of meetings of February 23 and March 13, respectively, unanimously approved.

Marilyn provided an update on the education walk of the Fournier trail:

- Attended by Marilyn, Deb, Cynthia, Alison Wright-Hunter, Mary Wigmore, Jaime Jackman and Sue O'Reilly-McRae, pre-school teacher
- Questions posed around trail use, educator and student priorities and boundaries
- Need for trail use policy development noted
- Planning for 2nd walk to take place, with tentative date during first week of April

Suzanne provided an update on the Maynard Cemetery walk:

- Agreement on date of Saturday, April 30, with rain date of Sunday, May 1.
- Understanding is that multiple people who were involved with the 250th celebration walk have agreed to help with this simple guided walk
- Need to confirm time: Suzanne will propose 1 pm
- Need to publicize: Courtney to write announcement blurb; Suzanne to request inclusion in Conway Currents, despite missing submission deadline

Deb requested feedback on TerraCorps's Capacity Building Project Pre-Assessment, which the town needs to sign off on:

- Agreement that main focus will be on Effectiveness
- Multiple edits agreed upon
- Courtney will look up owners (and their contact information) of property that could be included on the proposed map under this project
- Suzanne volunteered to coordinate with snowmobile club and potentially call owners for permission to include property in map with authorized activities on their land
- Deb will submit for Selectboard authorization and will attend their next meeting

Committee members agreed to review Williamsburg Woodland Trails policies as starting point for Conway policies.

The purchase of 25 boundary markers for the Fournier property was unanimously approved.

Next Meeting Dates:

April 27, 6:30 pm

May 25, 6:30 pm

June 22, 6:30 pm

