



# The TOWN OF NORWOOD

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

NORWOOD TRAILS  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
JOSEPH P. GREELEY, Chair  
LEE LEACH, Secretary

## Meeting Minutes of February 7, 2023 @ 7:00pm In Person meeting- Norwood Senior Center

- 1) Call to order at 7:06 pm. Attendees: Joe Greeley, Lee Leach, Marguerite Krupp, Craig Austin, Joe Barrett, Vic Babel, Mary Wolfe, Chris Paddock. This meeting was video recorded by NCM and audio recorded by LL.
  - 2) Meeting minutes for Dec. 13, 2022 with minor correction approved by motion JB, seconded by CA.  
Meeting minutes for Jan. 10, 2023 with minor correction approved by motion CP, seconded by VB.
  - 3) Visitors- featured topics or upcoming invitations
    - a) Women's Community Committee - read a letter from WCC with a donation of \$1875 to be applied to the cost of an ADA accessible table and bench to be installed at the Town orchard.
    - b) Next invited guest - none, but possibly inviting Holly or someone from the Sustainability Commission.  
CA - will have the NepWRA annual Water Quality Report in June.
  - 4) Upcoming events
    - a) Sustainability Series at Morrill Library - ConCom and NTAC on June 8
    - b) Next hike, next event - planned for evening Owl full moon walk on March 4th at dusk at Astor and Morgan near Castle Island Brewery. Also, possible University Ave walk on February 26.
    - c) Adopt a trail program - tabled
    - d) Cooper Park update - met with design/project management (Horsely Witten) to flag trees and begin the design documents for construction of the park.
  - 5) Completed Norwood walks, events, trail news including:
    - a) Trail map/brochure update - is ongoing
    - b) University Ave status - most of this property is above flood waters but will need help with bridges and boardwalks and need to define a trailhead possibly on ConComm property.
    - c) Meadow Street status/conditions - JB reports this area is in flood stage with a river gauge reading of 12.5 feet. High water results in parts of the trails to be flooded. Utility work has begun on the sewer line on the Blue trail.
    - d) State of the State roundtable - JG reported that the other trails look fine and in good condition with few wet areas.
    - e) JB reviewed his investigation of the Vanderbilt Ave including the PineTree Forest and paths out to the Neponset River and Trap Hole Brook. Possible site of a future walk on the full moon.
  - 6) Previously tabled:
    - a) Webpage expansion- photo/feature album sorted by property
    - b) River Ridge, Native American Site
- Advisories- MEMBERS MINUTE - VB hopes to be walking more very soon. CA reflected on weather extreme changes and flooding of the Neponset. MK observed an ice skater on Ellis Pond. JG recommends using the town trails for little adventures, read an email from a new couple to town expressing eagerness to help with the trails in town.
- Upcoming Events etc including:
- i) 2023 task list and mission

ii) Committee Goals- short & long term, Review our goals and accomplishments with creating a summary document for TM.

iii) National Trails Day June 3, 2023

iv) National Public Lands Day- Sept 23, 2023 <https://www.neefusa.org/npld>

v) Norwood Day Sept 9, 2023

vi) Farmer's Market starts Tuesday, Jun 13, 2023.

vii) Norwood 101 at the library April 10, 2023 at 6:00 to 8:00 pm

Adjournment at 8:38 pm moved by MK, seconded by CP

Submitted by L Leach May 9, 2023

Next Meetings:

Community Walk/Clean up dates TBD

Tuesday, March 14, 2023 @7pm-Senior Center

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