

Norwood Trails Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes on January 12, 2021 @ 7pm
Virtual Meeting- See Page 2 for details

Agenda Item:

- Call to order 7:06 pm. Attendees: Joe Greeley, Lee Leach, Craig Austin, Patty Austin, Brian Palmateer, Roy Noepel, MK, Marguerite Krupp, Marcia Motta, Vic Babel, Kate Smith.

Recorded by NCM

- Review and Approval of meeting minutes of December 15, 2020 motioned by MK, seconded by KS. Approved unanimously with one abstention (BP).

- Visitors- none tonight

- Completed walks, events, trail news.

- a. Trail reports- any new changes, concerns, compliments

CA - New years day at Ellis Pond mostly cloudy with 2 trees down, with photos shown. He encountered some pumpkins for the wildlife. Reported only a thin sheet of ice on the pond. MK walked to the Endean up to RR and over muddy areas that had some wood placed over the wet area. MK brought up downed wood for harvesting firewood. VB also walked at Endean but had encountered some high water near the brook. MM at Fr. Mac's and have seen some dead animal parts. BP asked about the Orange Floats at the dam. JG, LL, and Holly Jones recently walked the SSLot reviewing the design proposal, invasive plants, and asphalt debris. She was interested in the area where some BMX paths were. MM brought up nurturing of bike use in trail areas.

- b. Meeting frequency- winter schedule reviewed. See JG email on Jan.11, 2021 9:56 AM Trails Calendar 2021.pdf

- c. New Year's- First Hike - Vanderbilt/Astor to Pezwick RT LL and JG reviewed with about 40 attendees. FR provided a GAIA GPS track with embedded photos. See Attachment #1 JG had sent an inquiry to The Norwood Garden's and received a positive response.

- d. New Year's First Hike- Walpole Trails had 3 different locations with a show and go model.

- Previously tabled:

- a. Subcommittee discussion - PTA communication- Kate reviewed the signup spreadsheet and process to set up the PTA meeting presentations and the other supporting documents that she has created for this activity.

- b. BSA eagle projects - Joe/Brian TBC

- c. Community Preservation Fund Projects - Joe and LL met with Tony M and the 3 projects are still in discussions.

- d. Possible walk - pets on the trail Marcia Feb. 6 / Feb 7 rain date / for a DogWalk for pet owners education and trail etiquette. Fr. Macs to the Willett School and back. RN recommended integrating a dog bag Kiosk. The time will be announced and posted.

- e. Town meeting- use of town land on Rt 1 corridor - Marguerite to be continued

Advisories- MEMBERS MINUTE

BP walked Ellis Pond Dam side on a nice chilly day and expressed wishes to continue the trail around the pond. VB went to Bradley Estate in Canton, and also spent some time in Richmond, VA and witnessed BMX and walking trails coexisting in the same parks. MK mentioned the group walk on Jan 23/24 but AMC Summit is on the 23, and if the MA Open Space Committee Conference is virtual or in person. MK filled in some background on the Ellis Pond history. KS is doing a lot of work so is investigating Blue Hills trails and commented that the Rte 28 crossing is very hazardous. Recommend using social media to mention your favorite trail and recommended the wearing of masks. CA also recommends walking the Blue Hills. PA walks in the morning and also in Sharon with her pod kids, Moose Hill trails are open. MK commented on Mann Pond trail in Sharon. MM walks Cutler Park. JG shared the information on the AMC Summit on Jan 23 which is virtual this year.

Upcoming Events:

Jan 24 at 2:30 pm - University Ave Concom property meeting at the so called Hot Dog stand.
Feb 6/7 at tbd - Pets on the Trail Walk

Adjournment at 8:37pm KS and MM.
Submitted by Lee Leach on March 16, 2021

Attachments:

#1. Pezwick New Years Day Route - Page 4

Next Meetings:

Tuesday, February 9 @7pm & trail walk

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