

Carlisle Trails Committee
Report of March 7, 2008 Meeting
Bert Willard, Secretary

Attendance: Henry Cox, George Fardy, Louise Hara, Kevin Smith, Steve Tobin, Marc Lamere, Bert Willard. Guests: Sylvia Willard, Nutan Chandra, Jeff Pedersen, Greg Peterson, Chris Bojanic, Dan Bojanic, Sally Smith, Steve Spang, Margie Findlay

Old Business

Review and approve minutes from February:

The minutes for the February meeting were approved as amended.

Old Morse Road:

There was nothing new to report.

Cross Street development path update:

There was nothing new to report.

Chris Bojanic: Prospect Street Eagle Scout bridge project:

Chris presented his list of materials, requesting the Trails Committee pay for the materials (this will come out of our CPA funds). Marc volunteered to work with Chris on ordering the materials. The project likely will be done in May.

Great Meadows:

There was nothing new to report.

Hanover Hill Subdivision paths:

There was nothing new to report.

Trails Committee Annual Report:

There was nothing new to report.

Last Month:

There was nothing new to report.

New Business

Benfield land trails:

Greg Petersen, representing CCF, presented Mass GIS aerial photos of the Bisbee and Benfield A land to open a discussion of a trail link between the two. The present trail easement from the Hartwell cul-de-sac to Benfield A is approximately 750 feet, of which about 525 feet is through wetland, with maybe 50 feet of open water in Zone A (100 year flood zone). Engineering needs to be done to determine the best method of crossing, floating, boardwalk, etc. CCF has

received a \$50,000 gift from which a \$5,000 challenge might be offered. Louise pointed out the total cost would be much more, considering our basic boardwalks run about \$20/foot. Greg offered that CCF will do more research on engineering and cost.

Riverfest: 14-15 June:

It was agreed to do a trail walk on Saturday, the 14th starting from the Foss Farm parking lot at 11:00, with a lunch at Greenough pond.

Canoe launch bridge construction:

This was not discussed.

Construction this spring?

This was no further discussion.

Trail walk this month?

It was agreed to run a vernal pool walk again this year on either April 13 or 20, depending upon the availability of Chris Kavalauskas. Sylvia will contact her.

Other new business:

It was moved to authorize Louise to purchase up to 500 more Trail Books.

Jeff Pederson presented his proposal for an Eagle Scout project to cut a trail on the Towle property. The trail would start at the edge of Towle field, pass through an existing break in the stone wall, past the old well and end at the cow tunnel under Route 225, for a total length of about 250 feet. Jeff plans on doing the work on March 29 (his birthday deadline is April 16). A motion to accept this plan was unanimously accepted.

Schedule next meeting:

The next meeting was set for Friday, April 4, 2008.