

Carlisle Trails Committee
Report of December 5, 2008 Meeting
Bert Willard, Secretary

Attendance: Henry Cox, George Fardy, Steve Tobin, Marc Lamere, Kevin Smith, Louise Hara, Bert Willard.

Guest: Sylvia Willard.

Old Business

Review and approve minutes from November:

The minutes for the November meeting were approved as written.

Old Morse Road:

Louise reported that she and Sylvia met with Gary Davis at the Ember Lane trail access. Gary agreed that a perforated pipe and gravel were the best solution to stop erosion on the trail. We need to inform abutters of our actions before work starts. No permits are required as the work will not be near a wetland. There was some concern expressed, but no solution offered, as to how to prevent the pipe from filling up with silt.

Benfield Trails/Spencer Brook:

Steve and Kevin reported having cleared the trail. The boardwalk has been built.

Hal's Bridge – sign and/or plaque?

Marc picked up Hal's templates and jigs from Bea. Marc's sign will say, "Hal's Boardwalk." We will plan a dedication in the spring; Bea and her family want to attend.

Greenough Bridge:

George reported putting the temporary decking on after the November 8 inspection. Henry said it is holding up well, no vandalism. Henry said there were no abutter responses within the 10-day waiting period. He will put together the materials list.

MSMCP response:

Sylvia has received a response acknowledging receipt of our submission for the new land management guidebook.

Post-Thanksgiving trail walk:

All agreed it was a great success, with cooperative weather and 25 attendees.

Trail work last month:

Marc reported having cleared the Rangeway trail. Other work not already mentioned: cut blowdowns on the Circle trail in Concord, replaced the rope on the Tobin Bridge.

New Business

Night trail walk:

It was decided to hold this year's winter night trail walk on the Cranberry Bog, including the trail into Chelmsford.

Trail work this month:

We need to get the new trails on Graystone flagged and approved, between Christmas and New Years. No date was set.

Other:

It was voted to reimburse Steve \$165.67 from CPA funds for 200 round trail markers from Ben Meadows.

It was voted to reimburse Henry \$69.08 from the Trails book fund for 5/8-inch anchor rope for the Tobin Bridge.

It was voted to reimburse Sylvia \$54.94 from the Trails book fund for donuts and coffee for two weekends of volunteer boardwalk building.

Schedule next meeting:

The next meeting was set for Friday, January 9, 2009.