Carlisle Trails Committee Report of May 29, 2009 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 May:

The minutes for the May 1 meeting were approved as written.

Hanover Hill subdivision paths:

Steve, Henry, and Matt checked the path easement to find the entire trail easement has been marked with wood stakes.

A discussion of the required bridges followed. The bridge over the stream might be as long as 43 feet to get part way up the steep banks to avoid erosion. There is a rock near the middle of the stream that could be used for support (arch?). The second bridge needs to be at least 60 feet.

Henry will start work on the Request for Determination. It was agreed the trail should be cut this year but that the bridges will have to wait until next year due to the Town Forest boardwalk that is scheduled for this year.

Town Forest boardwalk:

Work will be scheduled at a later meeting for a fall project.

RecCom: bridge from Spalding to Banta-Davis:

It was decided to let RecCom initiate this effort.

Great Meadows:

The Piggery Road bridge needs to have two more posts pounded in and a second post attached to the top of each to level the bridge. The technique of leveling one post has been demonstrated successfully (without adding a second post on top). We are to wait until fall to do the work when it will be drier and less mosquito infested.

Louise reported mowing the meadow.

Henry reminded those who have done work to submit a timesheet to Libby Herland, U.S. Fish & Wildlife.

New Business

CCTV Appearance:

Henry was volunteered to appear at the request of the Council on Aging, on June 2. He will talk about accessible trails (Foss, Malcolm Meadows, Cranberry Bog, Estabrook Road), our efforts at bridge building, and ask if there is any demand for CoA walks.

It was voted to reimburse Sylvia from the Trails Book account \$26.97 for donuts and coffee at the Greenough bridge project on April 11.

Double Sunday Saunter – 28 June:

A discussion arose regarding our already advertised 11:00 start time and a possible conflict with the Veterans Memorial dedication at 2:00 pm. It was decided to start at Kimballs at 11:00 am. We will offer to drive people back from Great Brook SP if they wish to attend the dedication.

Kevin mentioned that he had made a map of the saunter for the OHD newsletter.

Terms expiring in 2009:

It was voted to send a letter to the Selectmen requesting them to accept the reappointments of Henry and Marc.

Election of Officers:

Chair and cartographer: Kevin Smith Chair-elect: Henry Cox Secretary: Bert Willard

Bert requested help in finding mystery photos for OHD.

Louise suggested putting together a packet of notepaper of Carlisle nature photos to see if they sell at our OHD booth. It was agree to try 6 packets of 5 different photos each. Bert is to provide the photos (4x5) and Louise the notepaper.

Schedule next meeting:

The next meeting was set for Friday, July 3, 2009.