

Friends of the Milford Upper Charles Trail

Minutes of the General Meeting November 1, 2011

- President Pat Rosenthal called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm.
- The minutes from the October meeting were accepted.
- There were 10 members present.

President Pat Rosenthal reported on behalf of Reno Deluzio, Chair of The Milford Upper Charles Trail Committee. She read:

The trail committee continues to work through the Phase 2 punch list with MassHighway. We have not been able to get MassHighway to commit to a date for completion of the punch list items which includes modifications to the flashing beacons at Cedar St. and Route 109.

President's report – Pat reported on her efforts in reaching out to active members of neighboring towns' trail groups. A video received from Robert Call, to be reviewed & added to website.

Suggestion were made for open house type of meeting in January or February with guest speakers from surrounding town trails.

Donation of trash barrels is available from Siemens in Worcester thru member, Dick Flocks.

Pat said that Friends member and television show host Al Correia has invited her and Reno to appear on 'That Milford Show' on Jan 12, 2012.

Committee reports:

Maintenance and Enhancements: Dave reported on M&E activities relative to kiosk at CVS as an Eagle project (Joe Nunez) & a kiosk at the Hopkinton trail head to be provided by the Brenna family. Blackstone Valley Tech is working on quotes for both. Person bench has been installed. Another scout is considering working on one of the erosion areas as an eagle project & has ties to a landscaper. Nancy continues to document enhancements along the trail & is following up on signage. Rail fence damage from recent storm mentioned.

Website: Theresa Mazzarelli reported on the web site progress. The committee asked Greg Lamb to present a quote/plan based on their specifications and their objective of posting trail 'stories.' See "New Business" for a motion to support this objective.

Vice-President – Dave Cassinelli

Dave reported that he is actively working with Nancy Wojick in various maintenance and enhancements projects

Treasurer – Tom Myatt

Tom distributed the updated Treasurer's report. There has been no significant activity.

Secretary –Margaret Myatt

Margaret reported that there are 64 members. No other significant activity.

Old Business

No old business.

New Business

A motion was made and seconded to allocate \$500 for additional signage for phase 2a and 2b. This will cover two large metal kiosk signs, four 9-1-1 signs and four "scoop the poop" signs. Passed unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to allocate an additional \$1,000 for website enhancements in general accordance with the proposed layout. Passed with one abstention.

A motion was made and seconded to allocate \$700 for additional doggie bag stations.

A motion was made and seconded to allocate \$59.88 for the website's hosting for one year.

It was announced that the next meeting will be held on December 6th at 7:00 pm in the Senior Center. However, upon release of these minutes, it was decided to skip the December meeting. Therefore, the next meeting will be Tues, Jan 3rd, 2012 at Milford Senior Center, 7:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.