

# Minutes

## Friends of the Milford Upper Charles Trail

Minutes for the Open Monthly Meeting – June 7, 2016

President Mike Morrison called to order at 7:08 pm

### In Attendance

Members: Mike Morrison, Tom Myatt, Julianne Bonvino, Gary Bonetti, Bill Kavanaugh, Nancy Wojcik, Guru Khalsa-Bob, Pat Rosenthal

### Approval of Minutes

**Motion:** Mike Morrison moved to approve the minutes of May meeting, Nancy Wojcik seconded, passed unanimously.

### Updates:

- Nancy Wojcik reported that the locksmith changed all the locks on doggie stations so we can use the same key for all locks on stations.
- Reno DeLuzio asked Mike to give his report in his absence. At the May 20th Town Meeting, it was authorized to acquire easement of lot 608 on Cedar Street to connect the trail to Walden Woods.
- Reno contacted Mike Bresciani to have vegetation cut back at numerous crossings on the trail for safety reasons. Bill Kavanaugh mentioned that drivers on Main Street can't see the flashing light near Dunkin Donuts going toward Town Hall because of numerous signs in front of it. The light can't be seen until you are very close or about 40 feet back. Sue Clark was notified and will call the Chief to see if it can be remedied. Nancy will also talk to Mike Bresciani about this.
- Pat Rosenthal gave an update on adoptions. The Milford Jr. Women's Club will adopt the prior Compassion New England section but we haven't received the application. They told Nancy it is in the mail. We still have one section open, which was previously held by Wegmans. Nothing has been received yet from Zain Ridge. Paul Gunaratnam's sign will be up soon.

### Updates presented by Mike Morrison, President

- The Friends addressed a rumor about dogs being banned from the trail on Facebook.
- Met with Brenda Wheelock regarding her Girl Scout Troop putting a fishing line recycling bin at Louisa Lake. They got the ok from Mike Bresciani and Harold Rhodes approved the specs for disabled accessibility.
- Homeowner on Craft Road wants to improve access to trail with a path. Reno investigated that years ago and the homeowner didn't want anything to do with it. Would have to get easement from homeowner. This is the Trail Committee's issue, not Friends.
- Trail talk – no responses from other town's trail leaders for TV interview.
- Friends' storage space: not sure when shed is going up per Nancy.
- Mt. Pleasant Street sidewalk torn up. People were warned via Facebook.

**Update presented by Tom Myatt, Treasurer**

- Tom distributed copies of May Treasurer Report.

Total Income: \$2,249.09  
Total Expense: \$2,023.86  
Closing Balance: \$19,408.67  
Open Spending Authorizations: \$11,399.06  
Uncommitted Available Funds: \$8,009.61  
Open Spending Authorizations:  
    Authorized: \$14,800.00  
    Expended: \$3,400.94  
    Remaining: \$11,399.06

**Update presented by Julianne Bonvino, Secretary**

- One new member in May from Celebrate Milford, current total 69.

**New Business**

- New bench request was received from Michael Sullivan. We currently have 4 in the que for benches. The priority would be for the Nargi and Taylor families, pending the outcome of work on the dike. For now Mike will tell Mr. Sullivan we currently have a moratorium, but we will hold their place in line for a bench. We are running out of space for benches. Pat suggested maybe we revisit the pavers idea in the future.

**Old Business**

- Trail census – Tom said we don't need to do this on an annual basis, possibly every 3 years. Pat said it should be done in May since previous ones were done in May
- Summer meetings: Motion to skip the July meeting. Tom Myatt moved, and Nancy seconded. Passed unanimously

Next Meeting will be Tuesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Milford Senior Center.

Motion to adjourn was made at 7:43 pm.