

Friends of the Milford Upper Charles Trail
June 7, 2011 Meeting
Milford, MA

- Attendance: Dave Cassinelli, John Edmondson, Margaret & Tom Myatt, Guru, Genevieve (Alternatives), Dick Flooks, Julie & Pat Rosenthal, Linda Morley, Reno DeLuzio, Sheldon Moniz
- Next Friends meeting: Tues, August 2nd, 7pm at Milford Senior Center
- Next Friends Board of Directors meeting: TBD

Topic	Discussion	Decision/Action
Phase 2 Update-Reno Deluzio	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phase 2 progress on track with Sept completion looking good! • No enhancements can be done on phase 2 prior to official hand-off to town 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add current Phase 2 update to website home page •
Phase 2 Opening Ceremony Planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion on best location for the ribbon cutting ceremony – tentative date of Sept 24th with Hopkinton line trail head & CVS trailhead as the most viable options; considerations for parking, traffic control, dignitary invitations with ~ 30 minutes planned for speeches 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request permission from CVS for opening ceremony (Dave) • Friends will research tent, stage, portable microphone, etc rentals (Sheldon), Light refreshments (Pat) • Reno to MC & handle dignitary invites • Safety/Police detail (John) • Send save the date note to Bob Weidknecht for Holliston Trail & Beth Rolfe/Matt Zettek for Hopkinton Trail (Pat) <p>Motions Approved:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Ribbon Cutting Ceremony - \$1000
Adopt a Trail Sponsors	Milford Business Alliance & Wegman's Supermarkets have confirmed interest, no applications received as yet	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Follow up with each prospective sponsor 2) Identify & solicit additional sponsors for Phase1 3) Map out phase 2 sections available for adoption
Trail Enhancements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Benches-much discussion on additional bench requests along phase1 sections from Richard Person & Martha White (SP?), with most of group agreeing that additional phase 1 benches should be considered individually & allowed pending review • Mulch – Parks dept has begun adding mulch to bench areas • Proposed youth projects -under consideration: handicapped accessible kiosk near CVS (Joe Nunez), erosion control for hill near quarry fire road area & disability safeguards for Louisa Lake pull off area near Nancy DeLuzio bench (Jacob Bognar), Butterfly (30x30) garden project underway by Franklin Girl Scouts (pls include troop info) • Wish List related projects: 3 additional dog clean up stations planned for phase2, National Grid has strict regulations for any metal objects near power lines that need to be factored into any enhancement plans • Linda Morley requested adoption on one of the 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add bench specs to website, Scope & map out phase 2 sections for possible bench locations • Check with National Grid on regulations for enhancements near powerlines (grounding) • Check with Parks Dept on availability of additional trash barrels • Explore availability of town mulch for all bench areas & trail heads <p>Motions Approved:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Adoption of natural rock bench by Linda Morley 2) Purchase of additional trash barrels at ~\$35each, if parks dept is not able to supply - \$200

	<p>natural rock benches near the quarry fire road which she will clean & add a small memorial plaque</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintenance questions raised-overflowing trash containers, grass cutting, detailing around fence areas, town mulch for all benches & trail heads 	
Website	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allison Dann to coordinate with Greg Lamb on updates Updated content in progress 	Home page update for current Phase current info on Phase 2 progress; 3 additional stories in progress
Financial Report-Tom Myatt	<p>Report distributed. Account Balance(as of 6/2/11): \$16,119 \$1316 in income, \$1538 in expenditures, \$902 in open motions</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommendation made to approve recognized annual Friends organizational operating expenses at January general meeting , ie: state filing fees, directors' insurance, etc <p>Motions Approved: 1) Friends non-profit status govt filinf fees- \$200</p>
Friends Membership- Nancy Wojick	<p>There were 28 renewal notices sent between Han-May31st. There are 37 upcoming renewals thru the end of 2011.</p>	<p>Motions Approved: 1) Printing of new brochures - \$250 2) Updated Trail maps for kiosks - \$150 3) Purchase of sandwich board signs - \$500</p>
Safety- John Edmondson	<p>Discussion focused on recent disappearance of trail signs & dog clean up station trash receptacles, Freinds have replaced 1 receptacle at Fino Field at a cost of \$218, Louisa Lake receptacle has also gone missing, Several trail traffic (ex: stop, curve) related signs have also disappeared</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submit police report for vandalism Request update on regular patrols