

Minutes of the Rail Trail Committee
Thursday, 6/7/13
6 PM at the Library

Present:

Kathy Ebert-Zawasky
Andrea Henry
Sandy Ollerhead
Betty Lou Parker
Beata Schmid

Don Cybulski
Bill Napolitano
Wells Whooten
Karen Kenter

I. The meeting was called to order

II. The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted.

III. Reviewed Old Business

-Meeting with Town Manager

The minutes were distributed and reviewed from a meeting with Mike Yunits.

-Yunits suggested the best course of action would be to have meeting with various town officials- Police, Fire, Highway and see about getting their support prior to meeting with the Board of Selectmen

IV. Airport Land Use

Kathy stated that there were some talks with Mansfield Airport about land preservation changes. It was unclear if the airport land would impact the bike path at all. This will be determined once we get to the planning stages.

V. Discussion of the Pamphlet

-Determined we should have the flyer ready for Founders Day

-Kathy shared the initial design

-Discussed included contact info (facebook, QR code, email)

-Discussed wording to get the public involved & how they can help support it.

VI. Ongoing activities for late summer/fall

-Sandy talked about creating a photo scavenger hunt to get folks out on the existing trail and to help raise awareness

VII. Business Cards

-Andrea will go through Vistaprint for some low-cost cards we can hand out once the website is established.

VIII. Naming the Path Contest

-Kathy suggested we create a contest to help name the path. This would be a good way to raise awareness of the project and get the public involved more.

IX Founder's Day

Reviewed activities for Founder's Day and Staffing the table. Kathy said she and Linda should be available.

- Use this as an opportunity to hand out flyers
- Fun games for kids and bike safety coloring handout
- Collect signatures and emails
- Reviewed survey Sandy created for website and have print outs for Founders Day. Determined changing the wording on the question to: Why are you interested in the Trail?

X. Meeting with FD and Police

-Bill suggested asking Yunits if he could arrange a group meeting with the Police and Fire. This would make logistics easier and may be more convenient for all.

XI. Website

- Jackie will complete the website

XII. SPREDD will look into printing fliers for Founders Day

XIII. Next meeting will focus on prep for Founders Day

VIX. The meeting adjourned at 7PM

Respectfully submitted,
Andrea Henry