Sanford Trails Committee Meeting November 18, 2019

Meeting began at 6:05

Members Present: Lee Burnett, Dollie Hutchins, Rick Tockman, Hazen Carpenter, Lawrence Furbish, Kevin Mckeon, Thom Gagné, Don Roux, Al Pollard

Guests: Caleb Jones (Eagle Scout candidate), Jeff VanJoolen of the Sanford ATV club

Information Sheets: Lee passed out three handouts of info sheets with MW signs, map costs, design for the Riverside Ave. mural.

1. Approval of the minutes from the Oct. 21 meeting. Motion by Dollie and seconded by Rick to approve the minutes as presented. Unanimously approved.

2. Accounting of volunteer hours: A sheet was passed around to collect the number of volunteer hours put in by the committee for the past month.

3. Treasurers Report: Alan Grady was absent so there was no report at this time.

- 4. Committee Reports:
 - a) Communications/outreach: No report at this time
 - b) Construction/Maintenance:
 - (1) MWS Hazen stated that we need an estimate from STS for the cost of relocating the Loop Trail off of the MWS and connecting it to the MWBP.
 - (2) Granite Posts Hazen reported that the PW department placed the granite on pallets and Genest will deliver them to Craig McLeod for sandblasting. Craig is waiting for us to develop a template.
 - c) Volunteers: Rick reported that he and Lawrence organized a hike on Oct. 20 but no one showed. They will try again in the Spring.
 - d) Signage: There was no subcommittee meeting since last month. Maps are the first priority. The group discussed how to identify our trail system. There was consensus that for branding, The main trunk

line/path should be called the Mousam Way. Rick recommended that every loop trail have their own color so that there is no confusion. Caleb suggested to keep it simple and eliminate duplicate names. We discussed a central starting point and where the mile markers should go. We discussed having a MWS and MWN. The committee will meet and discuss branding, colors and contact Fire and Police for their suggestions.

- e) Landowner Relations: Hazen informed the group that we have verbal permission from the Marjon Corp. to relocate the MWS loop trail across their property to the MWBP. However, we still need written permission, especially if we put it on a map. Hazen suggested that we approach landowners with a 10 year permission form. Later on, we could eventually ask for recreational easement.
 10 years commitments would help us apply for funding. We still need to approach a number of other individuals.
- 5. Old Business:
 - a) RR Trail by Indian Ledge: We continued discussion of design modifications for the RR bed. Lee commented that the City wants us to do more. It was decided that we need to form a committee with the snowmobile club and the ATV club to help develop solutions such as rumble strips, pavement narrower paths etc. Lee, Don, Hazen and Jeff to be on this committee.
 - b) Map Update: Lee distributed some current maps. Members commented on missing items and changes that need to be made. It was suggested that the descriptive text be shortened. Lee to talk with Harland Eastman about the Historic Walk.
 - c) Eagle Scout Project: Caleb informed the committee that his computer was not operational and he could't provide a visual representation off his proposed project design but he did give a verbal description as well as a photo of the sidewalks and along the trail head. It was suggested that weed control cloth be laid under the pavers that will be laid around the bench and near the entrance. Caleb stated that the bench would face Breton Ave.
 - d) Gate Modification and Bollards quotes from Adam Hartford: Lee reported that Adam Hartford will need \$300.00 for material to modify 3 gates. We need to provide a sketch of the mods to the School Committee. Motion by Hazen and seconded by Lawrence to approve up to \$300.00 for gate mods. Unanimously approved.
 - e) Updates on MDOT/Rt. 224 and Boothby Ave:

- (1) Rt. 224 Lee reported that the MDOT Bike Pedestrian coordinator said we need to survey Rt. 224 from the outside bend from the RR bed to the Above and Beyond Catering's lot in preparation to widen the shoulder as per our Master Plan.
- (2) Boothby Ave stormwater remediation Lee reported that the Soil and Water Conservation District is coming up with a plan to control the erosion that affects our trail.
- 6. New Business: Cycle Sanford amendment to Master Trail Plan: Matt Hill suggested that the Cycle Sanford plan for bicycle access be incorporated into the Trail Master Plan instead of being a separate plan. There was a motion by Kevin and seconded by Al to accept the concept of merging the bicycle plan into our Master Plan. Unanimously approved.
- 7. Other:
 - a) Lawrence thanked Hazen and Kevin for their help with the Rotary trail project on the Deering Pond Trail.
 - b) Hazen informed the committee that the "knock locks" will require a larger chain. Allen or other City official will replace the chains.
 - c) Hazen requested a decision on what brand/logo to use on the granite posts. After some discussion, Lee made a motion that was seconded but Kevin to use the MW as the logo. Unanimously approved.
 - d) Don reported that the snowmobile club was able to get permission from Cyro to use the trail through their property to access the Airport gas station. They have permission for 2 years.
- 8. Next Meeting: December 16, 2019
- 9. Adjournment: Motion by Hazen and seconded by AI to adjourn. Unanimously approved.

Meeting ended at 8:22

Respectively submitted by Thom Gagné, Secretary