Notes

Norwich Trails Committee and volunteers monthly meeting

5 pm, October 5, 2022 Huntley Meadow Pavilion

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Attendees:

Norwich Trails Committee (NTC) members present: Cody Williams Absent: Craig Layne and David Hubbard.

Volunteers and members of the public: George Clark, Jim Faughnan, Bob Fisken, Stephen Flanders (scribe), Peter Griggs, Nick Krembs (facilitator), and Gerry Plummer

Absent a quorum of the NTC, this meeting was a discussion among members of the Norwich Trails volunteers

AGENDA

- 1. Approval of agenda: Facilitator Krembs opened the meeting at 5 pm
- 2. Comments from those present: There was general discussion of miscellaneous matters.

Infrastructure

- 3. Update from the UVTA: Ogle was not available for an update.
- 4. Reports on recent trail blockages and actions taken or planned: Volunteers, Fisken, Hardy and Faughnan, have removed blowdowns on the following trails, Tucker, Parcel Five, and Gile Mountain. Volunteer Fisken has done brush cutting on the Hazen Trail and grass trimming on the Heyl Trail.
- 5. Trail projects for 2022: Updates on trails projects
 - a. Tucker Trail bog bridge (September 21): Griggs reported on the successful installation of the bog bridge on the Tucker Trail, <u>outlined on the website</u>.
- 6. Allocate work for identified workdays (Sundays: October 16 and beyond), according to the following priorities:
 - a. Woody Adams Conservation Forest (October 16): Absent Craig Layne's anticipated report, the volunteers discussed possible reconnaissance.
 - b. Powers Trail drainage and treadway (Autumn date): Town Hall has neither given the goahead, nor denied permission on this action. The feeling is that the work should go forward, after informing the Town administration one more time.
 - c. Gile Mountain Trail fall maintenance (November): It was agreed that this trail maintenance will occur on an impromptu basis after the leaves fall and before snow. A different project for a November Sunday may be discussed later.
- 7. Signage and kiosks
 - a. Hunting signage: Faughnan said that signage for hunting safety and snow-and-ice safety is stored on the back side of existing kiosks.
 - b. Report on progress: Faughnan anticipates doing the Heyl kiosk on Elm Street before freeze-up.
 - c. Blazing the Blue Ribbon Trail: No action, no plans.

Coordination with town

8. Powers Trail machinery access: (see above)

Other

- 9. Items for November meeting: There being no substantial business for the Norwich Trails Committee in November, it was decided that volunteers would coordinate ideas off line
- 10. Adjourn: Facilitator Krembs closed the meeting at 6:05 pm.