## **TOWN OF SOMERS**

# Open Space and Trails Committee Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 19th, 2019, 7:00PM

## **Town Hall Lower Conference Room**

#### I. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ann Moses at 7:02 PM

## **II. Members Present:**

Ann Moses, Barbara Anderson, Richard Bailey, Dominic Wilson, Dick Hutton, Drew Kukucka, Chris Boucher and Todd Roland

III. Audience: Pat Boudreau

## IV. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Dick Hutton to approve the 6/17/2019 Minutes as written. Seconded by Drew Kukucka. Motion carried.

V. Correspondence: None

VI. Old Business

## **OSTC Project Plan Review:**

Task 1.1 - Somers Trails Brochure

Somers Trails brochures are flying off the shelf. Committee members checking locations in town reported that many holders had few remaining brochures. There have also been positive comments on social media about the on-line version of the brochure.

Section 2 – Camp Aya-Po

Complaints have been posted on social media about the trails at Camp Aya Po becoming overgrown especially the Lower Trail from the parking area to Stafford Road. A work party will be scheduled to deal with this problem. Dom Wilson has been working to keep the Lakeside trail in good condition. The committee thanked Pat Boudreau for her continuing personal efforts to beautify the parking area by planting flowers, putting down mulch supplied by the town and maintaining all the flower beds she has created.

Todd reported that although there are no plans to demolish the amphitheater for now, the town will not be putting money to make major repairs and any benches that are deemed unsafe will be removed. Pat and Ann will continue their efforts to remove vegetation from the amphitheater. Benches may be placed in the area in front of the fireplace to provide seating for future events.

Section 5 - Somersville Mill Trail

The trail has been cleared all the way to Bailey Road in Enfield. A public hike will be scheduled for September 7<sup>th</sup> led by Richard Bailey. The hike notice will be sent to Chris to be added to the Rec. Dept. Facebook page and calendar. Richard will make a sign identifying the trail which the town DPW will erect at the parking area.

#### VII. New Business

None

#### VIII. Next Meeting

The next SOSTC meeting is scheduled for Monday September 16th at 7:00 PM.

### IX. Adjournment

7:55 pm. Motion to adjourn by Barbara Anderson, seconded by Dick Hutton. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Bailey

Secretary