TOWN OF SOMERS

Open Space and Trails Committee

Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 18th, 2019, 7:00PM Town Hall Lower Conference Room

I. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ann Moses at 7:00 PM

II. Members Present:

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

III. Audience: None

IV. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Barbara Anderson to approve the 9/16/2019 Minutes as written. Seconded by Dick Hutton. Motion carried.

V. Correspondence: None

VI. Old Business

Dom Wilson reported that the Striders will be having their Moonlight Run again this year at Camp Aya Po. It is tentatively scheduled for March 7th instead of in February. The BOS will need to approve the Striders permit for the event

A motion was made by Dick Hutton for the committee to recommend approval of the permit. Seconded by Chris Boucher. Motion carried.

OSTC Project Plan Review:

Task 1.1 - Somers Trails Brochure

Somers Trails brochures are still being taken by residents at locations where they have been placed. At Dunkin Donuts someone even took the plastic holder.

Section 2 – Camp Aya-Po

Volunteers including Eric Anderson and Dom Wilson have been working to clear the Aya Po trails after the recent storms. Todd Roland requested that all volunteers provide their hours worked to him for his records.

Section 5 – Somersville Mill Trail

Richard Bailey has cleared the Somersville Mill Trail following the recent wind storms which brought down trees and limbs. A trail footbridge on state property has also collapsed and needs to be replaced. A temporary crossing has been constructed to serve until a new bridge is completed. Richard Bailey will provide Todd Roland with a design and cost estimate for the replacement bridge which will be built next spring.

VII. New Business

A proposed committee meeting schedule for 2020 was distributed. The schedule eliminates meetings for the months of January, February, July, August and December. Following some discussion, a motion was made by Wes Smith to approve the schedule as written and seconded by Barbara Anderson. Motion passed unanimously.

Committee members are up for reappointment for next year. Ann will contact Andy Phillips to see if he still wishes to serve on the committee.

VIII. Next Meeting

The next SOSTC meeting is scheduled for Monday March 16th 2020 at 7:00 PM.

IX. Adjournment

7:26 pm. Motion to adjourn by Wes Smith, seconded by Barbara Anderson. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Bailey

Secretary