

**Open Space and Trails Committee
Meeting Agenda
Monday, October 18th, 7:00 pm
Town Hall, Auditorium**

- I. Call to order
- II. Members present
- III. Audience
- IV. Approval of prior meeting minutes (09/20/2021)
- V. Correspondence
- VI. Old Business
 - A. Girl Scout butterfly Meadow Update – Signs installed?
 - B. Trails Brochure – we received another 1,000 in August
 - C. Bald Mountain trail system marking
 - D. Eagle Scout bench project is approved by the BOS
 - E. Project Plan Review
- VII. New Business
 - A. Grant opportunities?

The Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) is now accepting proposals for Connecticut’s Recreational Trails Program, which provides funding for projects that add to or enhance the state ’s 2,000 miles of multi-use trails and bike paths that connect cities to the outdoors, provide opportunities for green commuting and crisscross some of the state 's most picturesque terrain.

The Connecticut Recreational Trails Program provides funding for projects that include the following uses: planning and design of trails; construction of new trails; maintenance and restoration of existing recreational trails; access to trails by persons with disabilities; purchase and lease of trail construction and maintenance equipment; acquisition of land or easements for a trail, or for trail corridors; and operation of educational programs to promote safety and environmental protection a s related to recreational trails.

Applications for the current grant round will be accepted through November 1, 2021. Grant amounts vary and can pay up to 80% of eligible project costs. Visit www.ct.gov/deep/ctrectrails for details and applications. *For further information contact: Laurie Giannotti, DEEP Recreational Trails & Greenways Program at (860) 424-3578.*
 - I. Opportunity to add agenda items
 - II. Next Meeting – Monday, November 15th, 2021
 - III. Adjournment