

Recreational Trails - MINUTES

March 20 2019 – Town Hall J.C. Herbert Room

Present: Darryl Capern Mike Hawkins
Costantino Mongelli
Kyle Stefanovic

Regrets: Fred Freeman
Steve McSwiggan

1. Butter Nut

Discussion: Mike and Kyle going to walk Butternut Trail. Meet at Harrisfield parking lot. Not interested in crushed asphalt. Want to get trail cut and see what pathways exist, where the wet is, and where we need to make additions. Looking to do a naturalized trail while we work at wet areas. Woodchips break down, more interested in letting grass grow and maintain with mowers. Pig slats or breeze way blocks (as laid in the washout area of the cheese trail) talked as options.

Motion: Kyle to reach out to Brad to get price on cutting the trail where shown.

1st Mike Hawkins

2nd Darryl Capern

2. Sifton Trail Extension

Discussion: complaints received about plowing all of sifton trail and complaints over the cutting of the trail on the north side as being unsafe and uneven. Second quote sent out was from Brad to complete the loop in crushed asphalt.

Action: Costantino to connect with Sandra and Doug about giving crushed asphalt – looking to see if this will cut costs

3. Riverfront Trail

Discussion: \$100,000 in capital, not enough to meet the “agreement” of being fully paved and lite. Pipe band Hall to Thames, but not enough money. Unsure whether we can pave first, light later.

Action: Kyle to give sketch of trail to Costantino who will work out a rough estimate.

4. Budget

Decision: \$10,000 sifton, \$20,000 butternut, \$20,000 reserve (\$10,000 of which needs to go to riverfront)

5. John Lawson – Giving Parks Direction

6. Signage Update – Memorial/Centennial and Damage Signs

7. Directional Thomas Ingersoll Signs

8. Trail Counters

Discussion: trail counters out for 1.5 weeks in beginning of March. Will start to circulate them around parks now that its spring. Likely put two in Lawson for all of April to catch baselines to get year to year comparisons. We have 3 counters total, and there are 3 access points on John Lawson. (3 trails: Lawson, North Meadows and Thomas Ingersoll). North Meadow has 3 access points as well. Data can be broken down, all crossings are time stamped.

9. Adjournment. 7:09pm.