Richmond Trails Committee Minutes 11-15-16

Present: Sam Graulty, Martha Marciel, Ian Stokes, Willie Lee, Jim Monahan and Jean Bressor

Not present: Steve Bower, Tyler Merritt, Veronique Biettel and Callie Ewald

-An area resident had brought the issue of parking on Round Church Rd to the attention of the Trails Committee and to the Select Board.

We discussed the issue at length and developed the following potential strategies to deal with the increased parking on Round Church Road (note that the Richmond Historical Society has been discussing parking issues on their lawn as well and we also noted we do not want to create parking issues in other areas of the village):

Ask the Select Board to create a sign that directs the runners, hikers, bikers, roller skiers, etc to park at the Volunteers Green or at the Town Center.

Put up signs at the beginning of Preston Preserve encouraging users to park at the designated lots.

Ask the Select Board to designate some of the Cochran Road Acre to be parking, so folks can park there and access the nearby trail systems. Ask the Select Board to consider having parking at the site of the old water

tower for a proposed new trail at the north end of town.

-We discussed creating signage that delineates yielding on the trails. Willie will make up four signs to put up the Preston Preserve and the Rivershore. He will also make an "Exit Only" sign for the bottom of the Visceral Trail. Willie will also put a dedication to OGE on the decking of one of the Upper Loop boardwalks.

-We discussed how to spend the OGE grant money. Jim will look into purchasing trail tools – Mattock, McLeod rake, battery powered skill saw and battery powered drill.

-Last item - new map - we talked about having everyone look over our current map and write down how to change it for the next printing. Bring your proposed changes to the next meeting and we will work on the map.

Respectfully submitted – Jean Bressor