

Trails Committee Meeting 9/14/2021

Attendance:

Willie Lee, Tyler Merritt, Jed Rankin, Jim Monahan, Chase Rosenberg, Hailey Harklau, Jean Bressor, Gary Bressor, Mike Donahue, Penny Rand, Sam W, Patricia Gilbert, Kathy Mulligan, Callie Ewald

- 1) Approve Minutes: July 27th approved:
- 2) Andrews Forest Update -
 - a) Look at Trail Plan that the ACF
 - b) Tyler M - The ACF passed the trail design plan that was presented by Sinuosity & Arrowwood Ecological. Passed with 6-2 vote with one abstaining.
 - i) Approximately 6 miles of trail in total in the forest.
 - ii) Will Connect with VYCC & Sip of Sunshine eventually
 - iii) Mike D. made a motion to adopt and support the trails plan that was presented by Arrowwood/Sinuosity.
 - iv) Tyler M seconded
 - v) Motion passed unanimously.
 - vi) Next steps are for ACF to present new plan to selectboard for final approval
- 3) Williams Hill Update:
 - a) Many people walked the ROW on Williams Hill. The ROW had been surveyed.
 - b) Penny Rand - On the walk and it is really important for the trail committee to make a statement about what we are proposing for Williams Hill. There may be misconceptions as to what will happen up there.
 - i) Write something specific to Select Board for Hearing on Tuesday September 21st
 - (1) Pedestrian Pathway that would connect rural neighborhoods and would also keep recreation traffic off paved roads. Focus on aligning with a trail plan about promoting non motorized travel on Williams Hill connector.
- 4) Trail Updates:
 - a) Trail work night - with RMT on Merritt parkway
 - b) Lower Part of Old Jericho Rd. -- getting eroded. Plant some trees.
 - i) Jim M. will call Dana about going up with Excavator.
 - c) Google doc, google form, or Trail forks to make trail reports.
 - d) Visceral - Lower half of the trail is a mess. Terrain is steep.
 - i) Multiple braiding on trail.
 - e) River Trail- Still looking good. Tree down between Canoe Access & OverRockers
- 5) Weed Whacker - Get Electric Whacker
- 6) Motion for Adjournment