

Richmond Trails Committee

7-15-25

Present: Alison Aiken, Ben Feinson, Mike Donohue, Trum Rittling, and Jean Bressor, Hannah Harrington (late arrival)

Community Member - Greg Western - Cross Vermont Trail

Public Comment - none

Welcome new RTC member Trum Rittling

Discuss mowing: coordinate with Greg Western of CrossVT, reimbursement for volunteers' gas, develop a schedule for JBR and Rivershore, and others

Greg reported that he uses a string trimmer and a walk behind brushhog to keep the Johnnie Brook Trail trimmed.

He recommends cutting back the brush at the beginning of the season. Trimming the boardwalks once a month

Ben asked about purchasing a string trimmer for committee use.

Ben offered to coordinate working on the trails - weed whacking and mowing to keep the trails open

Will put it out on Front Porch Forum

A suggestion was made to create a Barcode/sign on the trail about how to help keep the trail mowed/weed whacked

Open Meeting Review - discussed rules of Open Meeting and where to find information online.

Discussed completing ethics training and signing form.

Rivershore Trail work date planning - there is a bridge that has been found and we can coordinate putting back. Two other bridges need work.

Thursday July 31st 5:30 - 'til done and August 2nd 9am - 'til done - for work days - Alison will post on FPF, Mike will reach out to RMT and Ben will contact RRC

Lung Ta - Fellowship of the Wheel dealt with the difficult areas except for one.

OJR update - will get an update from Callie and Tyler

Reach out to Conservation Committee about purchasing a weed trimmers that has several features

Approve minutes - committee approved them

Approve up to \$50.00 for the gas cards to reimburse volunteers for mowing/trimming - committee approved this