

Trails Committee
Meeting Minutes (approved)
April 28, 2026

Present: Dana Glazier, Lynn Rockwell, Kris Schmitt, Michael Socks, Lori Augustyniak

Next Meeting: May 26, 2026

Approval of Minutes: Draft minutes for 3/24/2026 approved as written.

Public Comment: None

Administrative Matters

Budget. For this month, expenses were \$294.00 for a bike rack and \$29.67 for OnX Hunt app subscription. For the fiscal year to date, there is \$989.40 remaining in the regular town trails budget. An additional \$500 flood grant is available and can carry over to the next fiscal year. Remaining FY2025 expenses approved by the committee: landowner appreciation gifts, gas cards, July 4th parade supplies, plant pressing event supplies.

Volunteer Hours. Dana ?, Kris 7, Lynn 3, Paul ?, Chuck ?, Michael 6

Membership

Jeannie McCollum was appointed to the committee by the Selectboard. Paul is willing to remain on the committee until another member can be recruited. Members should talk to people and find someone who might be interested.

Trails events

- Birdhouse building. Dana hosted at the library on 3/28 and Lynn attended. 15 or 16 people participated. 20 birdhouses were assembled and painted. Dana is procuring the cedar posts and will arrange for installation along the trails.
- Trailside plant pressing. Dana is co-organizing a June event with Hard-Pressed and the library. Scheduled for Thursday 7/16 at 6-7:30pm. Will be along the Old Town Center Trail. In case of rain will move to the library and use previously collected materials.
- July 4th. Budget about \$200 for trail snack giveaways and member T-shirts. Maybe get some kids to march in the parade with us and decorate a wagon?
- Fall event. To be planned at a future meeting. Ideas: pumpkin carving at Burt's around Halloween.

VOREC grant

- Lori circulated draft grant report and documentation of completed work. A few corrections were noted but otherwise looks good and can be submitted when remaining work is complete. Will try to submit in advance of the 6/1 deadline to leave time for any changes requested by VOREC.
- Willey Building kiosk. Ben Ackermann will call DigSafe and complete the installation next week. Paul will confirm the location.
- Grant photos. Still needed: Equipment/tools, Burt's trail opening, Elm Street parking, plastic markers.
- Master trail map. Dana has the map for mounting on the new kiosk when ready.

- Business surveys. Members will complete their assigned interviews and report to Lori before the next meeting. Lori can survey Burt and Goodrich.
- Lori will try to schedule the last advisory board meeting for 5/21 at 4pm.

Field Work

Trail spring cleanup is still the priority for April and May. Will choose a trail for next workday at the next committed meeting after scouting is done.

- Lynn: Still plan to visit Old Center, Burt's, and McQueeney.
- Dana: Rolf section of Winter Trail looks good. Need 2 people x 4 hours to clean up. A few signs missing or down. Eister section is too wet (wait until fall).
- Kris: Still plan to visit Town Forest.
- Chuck: Dana will ask Chuck about work needed on Talbert's.
- Michael: Dubray/Langone looks good. 2 people x 2 hours to get some signs and signposts back up.

Need to start advertising trail workdays. Tentative monthly workday dates selected at last meeting:

- Saturday June 27, 9am-noon
- Saturday August 1, 9am-noon
- Saturday August 29, 9am-noon
- Saturday September 26, 9am-noon
- Saturday October 31, 9am-noon

New business

- Remote meeting software. The town does not support paid Zoom subscriptions for individual committees. Shared or free subscriptions are not feasible. Michael to research options.