

**Town of Marlborough
Nature Trails & Sidewalks Commission
Regular Meeting
Marlborough Senior Center
17 School Drive
April 24, 2024
7:00 PM**

Minutes are considered draft minutes until approved at the next meeting

1. Roll Call

Russ Johnston called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM. Members present: Anna Holden, Louise Concodello, Sherry Newman and John Kaplan-seated for J. Close.

Also Present: Peter Hughes, Planning and Development Director

Absent: J. Close and J. Smigel

2. Public Comments

None

3. Acceptance of Minutes

S. Newman made a motion to approve the March 27, 2024 minutes as written. R. Johnston seconded the motion. Motion Passed: 4-0-1

4. Staff Updates – Peter Hughes

- New signs have arrived and will be put up next week
- Public Works trail clearing is pending
- R. Johnston volunteered to mark standing dead trees that need to be addressed by Public Works

5. Other Business

A. Eagle Scout Project – Trail Head Sign – School Trail

The trail head sign is in place at the school but not complete.

Adopt a Trail girl scout troop walked the Panther's Path and picked up trash and raked. Discussed putting a contact form online for other groups to volunteer. Discussed faded identification numbers along that trail that need to be replaced.

S. Newman noted the Insect Hotel in the field next to the Blackledge Trail is active. The Insect Hotel was an Eagle Project.

B. Ogden Lord Rd – New Trail Creation

R. Johnston reported most of the trail has been blazed and will finish next work day. Blazing was scheduled for Friday May 3, 2024 at 9:30 AM with rain date of May 6, 2024. Poison ivy covered tree stump on that trail needs to be pushed into the woods. Public Works will address.

C. Trail Maintenance

R. Johnston stated he will try to clean up the camp site behind the school.

If the Lions volunteer for trail maintenance as they have in previous years, will suggest leaf blowing the blue trail.

D. DEEP Recreational Trail Grant 2024

P. Hughes reported announcements will be made in May.

6. Adjournment

L. Concodello made a motion to adjourn at 7:40 PM. A. Holden seconded and all were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,
Debbie Pearson, Board Clerk