

**Town of Marlborough
Nature Trails & Sidewalks Commission
Regular Meeting
Marlborough Town Hall
April 26, 2023
7:00 PM**

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1. Roll Call

Russ Johnston called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM. Members present were Louise Concodello, Anna Holden, Sherry Newman, Jason Close, Jamie Smigel and John Kaplan.

Absent: Cenit Mirabal

Also present: Peter Hughes, Director of Planning & Development

2. Public Comments

None

3. Acceptance of Minutes

L. Concodello made a motion to approve the March 22, 2023 minutes as written. R. Johnston seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

4. Staff Updates

A. North Main Street Sidewalks

P. Hughes reported they are waiting for the Department of Transportation to authorize the contract. Construction should begin in June. The connectivity grant is due in July. He will start preparing the application to go to the BOS in June. Grant can be used for an extension from Cheney Rd. to Denler Dr and the connection from Lake Rd to the boat launch. The boat launch project includes extending the sidewalk from the kayak racks to the boat launch area. When finished, the sidewalk from the school to the boat launch will be complete. Moving forward, there are challenges extending the sidewalk past Denler Drive.

B. Blackledge Trail

No new information. Current trail is getting a lot of use.

C. Eagle Scout Project – Panthers Path School Trail

Kenji Langlois emailed Russ Johnston that he is still working on his application.

5. Other Business

A. New Trail Creation – Flood Road/Ogden Lord/South Rd Open Space Parcel

P. Hughes noted Public Works can assist with clearing the trail and parking lot after they are marked off by the commission. Commission scheduled Sunday May 7 at 9:30 am for clearing/trail marking. Rain date of May 21.

B. Trail Maintenance

Discussed cleaning the school trail in the future. Will purchase paint to blaze trails.

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C. Trail Master Plan

The document was emailed to members for review. R. Johnston working on maps and QR code. Requested photos from members for next meeting.

6. Adjournment

R. Johnston made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 pm. A. Holden seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Pearson, Board Clerk