Barrington Trails Committee / April 9, 2024

Meeting called to order at 6:34PM. Present: Chair Charlie Tatham, John Wallace, Jack Gale, Ted Bergeron, Anne Melvin, Betsy Heron, John Benes

The minutes of the 3/12/2024 meeting were accepted with one typo correction.

OLD BUSINESS:

April 8th Eclipse Walk @ Stonehouse Pond had 19 people, with about 50 others on cliff. Contact information gathered from two new people interested in helping with trail maintenance (Maura and Sandi).

Bridge on Rudolph's Run (SATWaSR) installed, and water channels cleared to partially drain area. Doug Winter suggested re-route in this area which would need some blazing.

Charlie printing / laminating replacement signs for Winnie the Pooh Trail with files provided by John W.

Dog waste signs have been installed at kiosks on Calef West, Goodwill and SATWaSR. Others to be put up at Barrington Trail (both ends), Newhall, Town Forest, Village Place amongst possible others.

First Aid Kit purchased from REI by Betsy for \$14.95 – given to John W. to bring to May walkabout.

NEW BUSINESS:

May walkabout to be held at 7:30AM on May 11th, probably at SATWaSR but to be confirmed. Led by Scott Heron and Dan Hubbard.

Barrington Girl Scout Troop will be holding a "work session" at the Winnie the Pooh Trail at ~5:30PM on April 30th. Some Trails Committee members will be present to provide support.

Plan for clearing trails affected by recent storms – various members have volunteered to walk specific trails and report back on blowdowns via email and on shared spreadsheet.

Charlie plans to hold a work day at Newhall in the near future as there are over a dozen trees down and lots of cleanup needed.

John Wallace mentioned that geologist Wally Bothner has agreed to hold a walkabout at Goodwill at some future juncture.

Trails Booklet: Betsy has a small number of remaining maps to make before they are ready for final group approval. John will send email requesting volunteers to take charge of the verbiage on specific trails. Trail behind Early Childhood Learning Center to be added to trails booklet by request.

John Wallace brought up the possibility of having a short handicapped accessible section of the Winnie the Pooh trail at some point (not in the near future).

Meeting adjourned at 7:48PM / Next meeting: May 14th at 6:30PM

Notes compiled by Betsy Heron