

Town of Weare Trails Subcommittee

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Trails Subcommittee

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TRAILS SUBCOMMITTEE - June 2, 2015 DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

Present: Dave Ward, Heather Payeur, Chrissie Sargent

Guests: Peter DeSantis

Mr. Ward called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm

I. Eagle Project

Eamon Scott's eagle project was presented to the Conservation Committee and approved with some adjustments. There will be no removal of the barrels or other items such as the old bottles as well as any updates to wetlands areas. He will complete the kiosk, flag upper trail (off Pine Hill) and GPS map.

II. Trail Services Assessment

Peter DeSantis from Comprehensive Trail Services reviewed his company's services. These include review of current trails and assessment, signage, GPS mapping, construction of new trials, etc. We would like to utilize these services for the Eastman trail system.

We would like to flag main trails as well as others that lead off them. Once flagged have wetlands expert and Conservation Committee walk them. Main trails would be 6 feet wide.

Mr. DeSantis suggests having control points (ie: the meadow, Black Gum trees, Beaver Dam) and avoid the negative ones (wetlands, rare trees).

Next steps will be for Mr. DeSantis to write up invoice for assessment to bring to Conservation Committee meeting. Once approved, will scope out Eastman areas and write up assessment and development plan to present. Would consist of recommendations of existing areas as well as suggestions of new areas. Parts of assessment can also be used for grants to assist with bridges, wetlands, parking lot. Mr. DeSantis also mentioned that as this is an active forest that any bridges should be built to be removed if needed. Mr. Ward mentioned the RTP grant that he submitted earlier this year for snowmobile for grooming and other services. Mr. DeSantis noted that equipment is harder to get with the RTP grant.

III. Adjournment

Mr. Ward made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:06pm. The meeting was adjourned.