

Town OF Harwich Trail Committee Minutes

July 22, 2016

Committee Members Present: M. Cushing, D. Callaghan, R. Saulnier, G. Schumann, R. Rich, prospective member

Other: A. Uswski, M. Lach, M. Cannon, C. Clark, D. Wolf, E. Levy, T. Evans, A. Silbert, members of the Hall family and others totally approximately 30 people

BELL'S NECK TRAIL OPENING

We met on Friday am at 9:00 on the bike path on Depot Rd. to witness the cutting of the split rail fence to open the loop trail around the West Reservoir at Bell's Neck. Several dignitaries, neighbors and interested parties met to honor the former owners, the Hall family, as well as HCT, Conservation Commission, the State and town Highway Department, all of whom played crucial roles in bringing this trail completion to fruition. This project has been a dream since the town purchased the major portion of the Bell's Neck area 50 years ago!

Although the trail is open, there is still some signage needed.

Good News! Thanks to HCT we have a fresh supply of trail guides to which the completed loop trail and the Sand Pond trail have been added. An additional trail guide box is being built for the Sand Pond kiosk. Thank you.

Eric Levy, superintendent of Nickerson State Park who oversees the Cape Cod Rail Trail, performed the fence cutting and Mrs. Carolyn Hall officially welcomed us to the property which had been in her family for many years.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Matt has received word from C. Clark, Town Administrator, that our request for a budget will be included in the draft FY 17 Budget! Thank you!

AUGUST MEETING IS CANCELED. NEXT MEETING SEPTEMBER 15 AT 3:45 IN THE LIBRARY AT TOWN HALL. WE HOPE TO INTRODUCE TWO NEW MEMBERS TO THE COMMITTEE.

At that time we need to approve the June and July minutes.

Gerie Schumann

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are employed. Bruce Nightingale wants to continue to be in the loop as a volunteer. Thank you, Bruce! Bob Sarantis has resigned from the Conservation Commission so can no longer serve. Alan Peterson's and Chet Berg's terms have expired.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00

Next meeting: July 21 in the library at town hall at 3:45. Please invite interested new members!

Gerie Schumann, Clerk

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