

**Town of Dover Trails & Recreation Committee**  
**Meeting Minutes via Zoom**  
**Tuesday, March 8, 2022**

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Members present via Zoom: Mike Purcell, Patricia Sweeney, Kristin Mumford, Tom Oakley (out at 7:04), Matt Nicklis

Also present via Zoom: Eric Durocher, Shannon Wheeler, Andy McLean, Mike Garber, Julia LaGrange, Jim McDevitt, Paul Fisher

**A recording of this meeting can be found here:** <https://youtu.be/fofSqlFI-EY>

**Moderator Eric Durocher called meeting to order at 6:30 PM.**

- I. Public comments: *None*
- II. Additions or changes to the agenda:
  - a. Selectboard meeting note added; approval of minutes missed until later in meeting.
- III. ERSA Grant Update:
  - a. Finally received update; we did not get the \$30k grant for expansion of parking lot at Dover Town Forest. There were 65 applications, 12 received funding and they were extensive projects.
- IV. Trail Counter Update:
  - a. The 4 TRAFx Trails Counters and supplies have arrived; will install when weather allows.
- V. Snowmobile/Hiking Traffic on Crosstown Trail:
  - a. Kirstin had someone reach out that the opening of Crosstown Trail may not have sufficient signage during snowmobiling season to remind that it is a mixed use trail and to slow down. Looking for recommendations on how to make signage more impactful that it's a shared use trail without jeopardizing any of the user groups.
    - i. Mike G: which trail entrance is this? *First section of Crosstown Trail around Beaver Pond. [Machines coming from either Power Lines or Crosstown Rd by Golf Course]. DVSJ will look for additional signage at both junctions before they enter. Season sort of over; next year let's look to let people know coming from Woodford, Jacksonville, etc as well.*
    - ii. Discussion determined we'd try to find signage for all user groups to alert everyone it is a multiuse trail and where those users should be on it. Clarification we are only looking for more effective signage at this point and not to impose a speed limit in these spots.
- VI. Upcoming Selectboard Meeting items
  - a. Expect a conversation at next Selectboard Meeting on camping in Town owned parking lots and at trail heads. Please attend if you'd like to weigh in.
- VII. Approve minutes from February 8<sup>th</sup> meeting:
  - a. Motion by Patricia, seconded by Mike – motion passes unanimously.
- VIII. Trails Process Document Discussion:
  - a. Revised documents sent out with edits helped by Sarah and Julia. (This is the text in red/orange in docs. Finals will accept those changes and be all in black.)
  - b. Discussed additional clarification and revisit on landowner contact for new projects.
  - c. Approved projects documents discussion
    - i. Mike G: how long do you think the turnaround time is for someone submitting this is then getting approval and who does it go through? *Starts with Eric with initial proposal, then to this committee for review and questions and they send a recommendation to the Selectboard for approval for project and/or funding. We want this to be a short/monthly process.*
    - ii. Clarification this is for projects that is for town owned or funded properties.

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On a motion by Mike Purcell, seconded by Kristin Mumford, the board voted unanimously to make a recommendation to the Selectboard to adopt the Trails Process Documents as revised.

- IX.** Upcoming Meeting Items – these items will be up for conversation at next meeting; please bring any interested parties you know of to April meeting.
  - a. Ridge Race Event
  - b. Ridge Trail Proper Repairs
  - c. Hathaway Trail
- X.** Valley Trail A:
  - a. Patricia asked for update: New owner for One Bogle Rd; Fuss & O’Neill have reached out to new property owners and Eric will also be following up for that easement. Tollgate Village agreement was signed; working with Kersten’s to finalize theirs. Fuss & O’Neill working continuously on this.
- XI.** Motion to adjourn by Mike at 7:12 PM, seconded by Patricia

Next meeting: April 12<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully submitted,

Shannon Wheeler  
Economic Development, Town of Dover