

KENSINGTON TRAIL COMMITTEE MEETING
126 Amesbury Road, Kensington, NH 03833
THURSDAY October 24, 2019 – 6:35pm
Minutes - DRAFT

Committee Members In Attendance: Joseph Hickey, Mason Holland, Chris Carr, Alec Lager, Robert Chase (appointment pending), Timothy Estey (appointment pending)

Absent: Mike Gross

At 6:35pm Joe Hickey called the meeting to order

ADMINISTRATIVE TOPICS

1. Committee reviewed and approved September 25 meeting minutes
2. Joe Hickey reviewed town policies and requirements pertaining to the Committee
3. Committee voted on chairperson and secretary
 - a. Joe Hickey nominated and approved as Chairperson with unanimous support
 - b. Alec Lager nominated and approved as Secretary with unanimous support
4. Committee Board term preferences were selected by official board members present
 - a. Chris Carr agreed to a three-year term on the Committee board
 - b. Mason Holland agreed to a two-year term on the Committee board
 - c. Joe Hickey agreed to a three-year term on the Committee board
 - d. Alec Lager agreed to a two-year term on the Committee board
5. Joe Hickey provided an overview of Committee meeting requirements, specifically noting:
 - a. Any formal meetings with a quorum shall be posted in advance and made known to the public
 - b. Meetings and agendas shall be posted publicly (e.g., town website and/or “Kensington Connects” Facebook page)
 - c. Public needs to be proactively apprised of Committee objectives and processes

DISCUSSION TOPICS

1. Robert Chase suggested that the Committee should focus on improving and publicly communicating about trails on town-owned land prior to engaging discussions about development of new trails and/or trails on private land
2. Committee discussed options for landowner outreach including development of trail-related information packets to leave with town landowners
3. Committee discussed options for making trail maps available to Kensington residents without posting maps online, in an effort to reduce trail usage by non-residents

NEXT STEPS

1. Committee discussed tasks and responsibilities to be delegated to board members, prior to November meeting:

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- d. Joe Hickey to determine town officials with jurisdiction over trail maintenance and the types of maintenance that the Trail Committee can pursue
 - e. Mason Holland to review town owned properties and easement restrictions
 - f. Timothy Estey to assess current condition of town-owned trails
 - g. Robert Chase to engage with the Southeast Land Trust (SELT) to discuss trail maintenance and development best practices
 - h. Robert Chase to inventory town-owned lands not currently reflected on town conservation land maps
6. Committee selected next meeting date: Thursday, November 21st at 6:30pm at the Kensington Public Library.

At 8:00pm Joe Hickey motioned to adjourn. Mason Holland seconded.

Respectfully submitted,
Alec Lager