

**TRAILS SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**HOPKINTON, NH**  
**DRAFT MEETING MINUTES**

October 17, 2019, 7:00 pm; Hopkinton Town Hall

Members present: Lucia Kittredge, Chair; Cleve Kapala, Ron Klemarczyk, Rob Knight, Bob LaPree

Meeting minutes from September 10, 2019 accepted.

**Complete Streets:** Anna Wells, member of the Select Board, discussed the new committee that is forming to consider a Complete Streets policy for Hopkinton. Cleve will attend the first meeting, Wednesday October 30<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 to represent the Trails Committee.

Trail opening for Tooky Trail: Sunday, October 27 at 1:00 pm

Logistics:

- Start at Gazebo in river park at 1:00; volunteers will arrive at 12:15 to set up; need a few volunteers to welcome walkers.
- Bob will bring table to set up in Gazebo; Lucia will coordinate refreshments (cider, apples, cookies); Lucia will bring donation jar for refreshments.
- Ron will welcome walkers and give brief history of Rollins Lot and Little Tooky Trail; recognize Patrick Quinn, Eagle Scout/Boy Scout Troop; and trail volunteers; and thank you to Cemetery Trustees.
- Assign a volunteer to get a count of participants

Trail Preparation:

- Bob has worked with Cemetery Trustees and sexton on signage location; he will mount signs and paint stencils on sidewalk;
- Lucia will add arrows to signs through cemetery as needed.
- Ron will walk trail on the 26<sup>th</sup> to check for blowdowns
- Lucia will bring a Little Tooky trail map for display at Gazebo
- Rob will prepare map showing trail from Gazebo through cemetery
- Cleve will GPS new trail for mileage; from Gazebo to trailhead is .74 miles; estimate is 2.5 miles I round trip

Publicity:

- Pierre created a flier to send by email to Susan Covert for her list; post on Facebook and post around town. Bob will put up fliers in Contoocook Village.
- Notice has gone to Town Crier in Concord Monitor
- Email invitations: Lucia will send to OSC, HCC, Select Board, Cemetery Trustees.
- Ron will send to Eagle Scout, Boy Scouts

**Five Rivers Conservation Trust event at Bohanan Farm**, Sunday, afternoon November 3<sup>rd</sup> : Cleve has walked the trail to Contoocook Overlook and cut a number of blow-downs; will walk it again after

today's storm. Lucia will communicate the Five Rivers staff the importance of coordinating with Trails Committee before scheduling hikes on trails we maintain.

**New Signage and posts** – Directional signs were ordered for Putney-Cross trail, First Parsonage Trail, Greenway connector and Little Tooky Trail. Decision was made to post signs on trees where possible, eliminating need for 4 x 4 posts. Sign orders totaled \$165, leaving \$185 remaining from funds approved by the Hopkinton Conservation Commission.

**Other Trail Updates**

- Hopkinton Village Greenway/connector: Cleve has cut blow-downs; new signs up
- Putney – Cross Trail; new signs up
- Stevens Rail Trail: Conservation Commission is working with town and Concord-Sunapee Rail Trail to resolve boundary issues; Lucia will revise description on website to direct parking to the Library lot; Rob will make new map for website showing trails from Library to Rail Trail.
- Bohanan Trails: Cleve is coordinating work on Blackwater Loop and Contoocook Overlook trail
- Ransmeier Woods: Cleve will contact Neal Cass for update on parking area review
- Brockway: new bridge discussed; future project

**Other Business:**

Cleve will talk to Paula Simpkins about setting up a fund for trail maintenance, following the model of Kimball Cabins funding.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lucia Kittredge, Chair