

Dighton Trails Committee

Tuesday 17 October 2023

Meeting Location

Dighton Council on Aging/Prime Time
1059 Somerset Avenue
Dighton, MA 02715

Trails Committee: Karen Alves, Jeff Carvalho, Rachel Conti. and Bill Frenette.
(Bob Baglini not present)

BoS Liaison: Nicole Mello not present

Guest: None

NOTES

1. Meeting called to order at 7:09pm
2. Roll Call: Bob Frenette and Nicole Mello not present
3. Team voted to approve September Regular meeting minutes
4. Team selected **Tuesday 14 November 2023** at 7pm for next meeting to be held in-person. Jeff to send the invite.
5. Public Input: None
6. Correspondence: None
7. Reports:
 - a. Bob not present so trail map update discussions pushed to next meeting
8. Old Business:
 - a. None.
9. New Business:
 - a. Broad Cove Trail Boardwalk Discussion:
 - i. Jeff read email from J.Gray (SRPEDD) outlining observations after site visit to Broad Cove and review of the boardwalk vision for the area. Email cautioned team against jumping into a design and engineering effort right away and going into a feasibility study first to properly scope this project.
 - ii. After a short discussion team elected to go the feasibility study Jeff taking an action to reach out to Dighton CPA group to get the latest application process and timeline. Backup plan is to do a similar effort to get a feasibility study funded by MassTrails.
 1. **AI:** Jeff to reach out to Dighton CPA group to get latest application and timeline process for a feasibility study for the Broad Cove Nature Trail boardwalk project.

- b. Jeff let the team know that the contract for the Taunton River Trails (TRT) Town Hall Trailhead Design Project has been fully executed as of 16 October 2023 with the Horsley Witton Group (HWG). This contract provides design and engineering grant funds received from MassTrails during last year's cycle to design a trailhead behind townhall that will connect to the future Sweets Knoll trail running behind town hall.
10. Review Action Items: See below
 11. Open discussion around the table
 - a. Team discussed trail kiosk plans and Jeff asked for help reaching out to the DRRHS carpentry shop to design and build a trailhead kiosk similar to the one on the Broadcove west entrance that would be installed at the Hart Street Broadcove entrance. Karen volunteered to make some calls and look into that effort.
 - i. **AI:** Karen to reach out to DRRHS carpentry shop to get details about building a Broadcove Nature Trail trailhead kiosk.
 12. Meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm

New Action Items

1. AI: Jeff to reach out to Dighton CPA group to get latest application and timeline process for a feasibility study for the Broad Cove Nature Trail boardwalk project.
2. AI: Karen to reach out to DRRHS carpentry shop to get details about building a Broadcove Nature Trail trailhead kiosk.

Outstanding Action Items

1. AI: Bob to update trail map for Yellow trail update
2. AI: Bob to update trail length on map to be loop lengths and not one-way length
3. AI: Karen to look into other trail page to link our page to the other.
4. AI: Bob to contact Tom Ferry about a walk-through on the Oak Street Town of Dighton Properties.