



TOWN OF GROTON

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Trails Committee

Monthly Meeting Minutes 16 February 2010

Attendees:				Visitors:
Chairman	Joachim Preiss	Member	Wendy Good	none
Vice chair	Paul Funch	Member	John Lynch	
Member	Steve Legge	Member	David Minott	
Member	Alan Taylor	Member	Bruce Easom	
Member	Ed Bretschneider	/	/	

Meeting opened at 7.30 pm with the above named committee members and visitors present.

Topics

(1) Correspondence

- a. Preiss read recent letters received;
 Tax possessions: Preiss to scan and email the list, Easom to plot them on a GIS map
- b. January Minutes:
 Eason moved, Minott seconded: YEA: Funch, Eason, Minott, Taylor; NAY: none;
 abstain: Lynch

(2) Projects

- a. Surrenden Farms:
 Eason reported on a meeting with Selectmen and the leadership of Mass Fish & Wildlife;
- b. Seasonal Trail closure for certain user groups:
 Funch suggested seasonal closure of trails or trail sections ; mentioned Williams Barn trail;
 Minott suggested a press release for Mud Season;
 Preiss mentioned that all trails in Groton are unrestricted for all non-motorized users groups and raised concerns that singling out users groups will lead to finger pointing and a downward spiral with more trail closures;
- c. Funch suggested signage at certain parcels: "parking lot", "way out", etc.
- d. Funch suggested SQRR races at different places and parcels; different parcels every week, spray paint the intersections;
- e. Sawtell: trailer still not removed;
- f. Kailey's Way: need to install metal trail post on abutter who mows the trail;
- g. Gibbet Hill Saddle:
- h. Propose a culvert to the ConsCom;
- i. Funch thanked Legge for writing the annual Town Report;
- j. Paquawket Path:
 Copied from 1/2010:
 Eason scheduling a meeting with a Town Manager followed by a meeting with neighbors;
- k. Jenkins Road;
 Another letter has been sent; Town manager is aware of the situation;

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- l. Arlington Street:
Board of Selectmen are in favor of a trail per our letter;
Collette suggested a meeting with Honeywell FRI 4/7 3.00pm for site walk;
Town appears in favor of a trail easement;
- m. Arthur Blackman on Indian Hill Road:
Filed an easement for a trail from Indian Hill Road to Hurd Conservation Area;
Preiss submitted GPS track from a hike in November 2008. Preiss to discuss with Ed McNierney an approx. 300' section missing between the Hurd Conservation Land and Arthur Blackman's land.
- n. SQR Rail Trail;
Easom provided an update;

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**Meeting closed at 9.15 pm by unanimous vote.
Respectfully submitted by Joachim Preiss.**