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TOWN OF NORTHBOROUGH Trails Sub-Committee

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Monday July 17, 2023

Northborough Trails Committee

Northborough Police Station Meeting Room

Attendees: Bob Mihalek, Victor Jacek, Bern Krafsig, Jim Stein, Bill Cobb, Craig Cox, Masafumi Kashii, Yuhi Kashii

7:02 p.m. - Meeting opened.

- 1) Bob made motion to approve the June minutes, Bill seconded. A vote approves the minutes.
- 2) We had a few new guests join the meeting. Bob gave a short NTC history and explained our role and responsibilities.
- 3) Bob attended an information session on the Hop Brook Flood Control remediation on 7/11. This area has been an area where NTC has been interested in creating a new trail system. The summary is there will be some additional soil removal as well as some areas of the earth dam that need to be raised up a couple of feet. The project should be complete by 2025. At that point, NTC can begin trail proposal activity.
- 4) There was no update on the Forest Plan for Edmund Hill and Mount Pisgah. Craig will follow-up with Vinny.
- 5) Our guests Masafumi and Yuhi discussed helping recently up at Mount Pisgah digging drainage ditches to improve water handling on the Mentzer and Sparrow trails. There was general discussion about this with them possibly leading to more volunteer work.
- 6) We discussed the need to get back up to Mount Pisgah to identify more locations that need new signs. New date to be proposed.
- 7) We discussed the need for some sort of power wagon to help haul materials into work sites. Several vendors were discussed. We will continue this discussion in future meetings until we can decide what to settle on.
- 8) We discussed again the need to get out and assess the need for a bridge for the muddy section of upper Bird Song trail. New date to be proposed.
- 9) Craig brought up the list of mowing needs. General discussion about who is doing what and if we have enough mowers. We look to be good for now for mowers. Craig volunteered to help out more with mowing.
- 10) Bill brought up a concern that the Talbot and Cole trails may be overgrown. We would try to get out there soon to assess.
- 11) Victor shared a template he made that could be used to help speed up bridge construction. We had a discussion on how best to use it. This may possibly get used for the next bridge construction.
- 12) We discussed Applefest and our need to get more maps and other documentation printed as handouts. Bob said he was going to check into printing.
- 13) Bob made motion to adjourn at 8:19p, Bill seconded. A vote confirms.

Adjourn at 8:19 pm.