

Lancaster Trail & Bike Way Coalition Minutes
Tuesday, May 11, 2016, 4:00 PM
Lancaster Town Hall Auditorium

In attendance: Noreen Piazza, Bill Flynn

Minutes

Noreen Piazza circulated the minutes from the 3/22 meeting. No changes or corrections were noted.

Planning Update

Noreen distributed updated copies of the LTBC work plan for 2016-2018. The plan is broken down into the following categories:

- Planning
- Programming
- Promotion
- Funding
- Maintenance

All three years are now populated with information. Bill Flynn suggested that we identify the target date, responsible designee, and the current status for each task. Noreen will add to the plan for the next meeting on 7/13.

Noreen also circulated the first draft of the capital plan. The plan lists all capital projects by year, cost and funding source. Bill suggested that we ask each trail steward to submit their capital needs for their individual trail systems.

Programming Update

As an update to the 2016 Lancaster Trail Walk Series, the following are the remaining spring and summer walks that are scheduled to date:

- May 14 – Pine Hill walk
- June – Guided Garden walk
- July – TBD
- August – Bolton Connection walk starting at Eastwood Cemetery, looping through Bolton Flats, to Bolton Orchards, back to cemetery
- September – Paddle on the Nashua River Blue Trail
- October – Talk on Bartlett Pond dam removal and return of the cold-water fishery
- November – Fall walk at Cook CA

- December – Post-harvest walk at the Town Forest

Promotion Update

Noreen reported that the first issue of the long-awaited newsletter is just about ready. She hopes to get the spring issue out by the end of May.

The two LTBC web sites and the FB page have been updated with the most recent trail events.

Funding Update

No update at this time.

Maintenance Update

The Adopt-A-Trail program is ready to be released, and a kick-off public forum will be scheduled for June. Stay tuned for the announcement and date.

Bill reported that the Lancaster Friends of the Nashua River completed their annual clean-up date of the Cook CA in April with time being split between Cook and Pellechia. New features for the Cook CA are two rest areas with picnic tables. The Pellechia RA was cleared to allow for more and better parking. Thank you to LFNR for all of their wonderful service.

The Town Forest Committee also completed their annual clean-up day at the Town Forest in April.

Bill also reported that signs are being designed for the Nashua River Blue Trail. The signs should be ready and installed for the Blue Trail paddle scheduled for the fall.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 7/13, 2016, 4:00 PM, at the Lancaster Town Hall.

Happy Trails!