STURBRIDGE TRAILS COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES - August 17, 2018

LOCATION: Center School Office Building, 2nd floor Conference Room

VOTING ATTENDEES: Brandon Goodwin (BG), Fritz Reeve (FR), David Peterkin (DP) arrived at 7:28

ASSOCIATE ATTENDEES: Tom Chamberland (TC), Richard Paradise (RP)

GUESTS: None

CALL TO ORDER: 7:12 PM

REVIEW of PRIOR MEETING MINUTES:

- No minutes to review
- BG to forward July minutes to FR

BUDGET:

- Locking boxes for counters are in
- TC looking into mower for RTV

TEA GRANT:

• Meeting with Tod Smola this week. Mass Hwy indicated they would send the agreement back to the Eastern Federal Lands within the next two weeks. Town of Sturbridge will see the agreement afterwards. Town of Sturbridge is no longer responsible for matching contributions. Also, the agreement indicates the trail does not have to be built to Mass Hwy standards instead will be built to railway specifications.

BIKE FRIENDLY STREETS: No update

ANNUAL GOALS: No update

FROST UPDATE: No Update

GRANTS:

TLGV - provide TLGV agreement to town accountant

ADOPT-A-TRAIL: No update

PUBLIC OUTREACH:

• Boy scout (Eric Jensen) to do Eagle project of removing evasive plants in Leadmine Mtn property

TRAIL WORKDAYS/UPDATES:

- August 18th Workday Meet at 10 OSV parking lot at 8:30
 - o 8 am at Sheds
 - Spread fine gravel on Arbutus Park and Morgan Track trails
 - Need volunteers to rake and drive RTVs
 - Need chainsaw

TA UPDATE:

- TA soliciting list of top 3 hot topics/issues
 - Continue with vision of making Sturbridge a trail destination within the state (economic benefit)
 - Advocate for accelerating through issues at Plimpton property so STC can move forward with trail plan
 - Advocate for accelerating pending easements

ConCom MEETINGS:

- Got approval to expand Heins Farm parking lot
- Request mowing of Heins Farm, Leadmine
- TA is passing on the easement processing to Becky
 - 2 from OSV (GTT and Leadmine connector)
 - Belanger property
 - Allard property

UPCOMING EVENTS:

• Sep. 9, 2018 10 am - Rick Hoyt Half Marathon Run

OLD BUSINESS:

• None

NEW BUSINESS:

• None

NEXT MEETING: September 13, 2018 at 7:00 pm.

ADJOURN: 8:41 PM