

STURBRIDGE TRAILS COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES – August 11, 2022

LOCATION: Town Hall Conference Room

VOTING ATTENDEES: Brandon Goodwin (BG), Fritz Reeve (FR), Richard Paradise (RP), David Peterkin (DP), Jennifer Scherer (JS)

ASSOCIATE ATTENDEES: Tom Chamberland (TC)

GUESTS: None

RECORDED BY: Fritz Reeve, STC Secretary

CALL TO ORDER: 7:05 PM

Trail Counter Data:

- In July:
 - There were 5,266 total trail visitors based on Trafx counter data. This is the same activity as last month.
 - The most visited property was Leadmine (Shattuck, Morgan, Pinelands) with 4,427 visitors, followed by Heins Farm with 650 visitors
 - Trail usage slightly increased (243 visitors) in July for the Leadmine trails
 - Note: no traffic counters on Plimpton nor Long Pond yet

REVIEW of PRIOR MEETING MINUTES:

- Review of the July 14, 2022 meeting minutes. TC motions to approve the meeting minutes as amended. BG seconds motion. Vote 4-0-1 to approve.

BUDGET:

- Accounts looking fine for FY23

TEA GRANT:

- The STC acknowledges all the great work of TC throughout the years to bring the TEA Grant work to completion on the Grand Trunk Trail.

GRANTS:

- No update

TRAIL WORKDAYS/UPDATES:

- Aug 20 Workday
 - Fiske Hill Property
 - parking lot prep. Mark trees to remove.
 - Spread some wood chips
 - Leadmine
 - Trail clearing

TA UPDATE:

- No Update

FROST UPDATE:

- No Update

ConCom MEETINGS:

- No Update

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Aug. 13 - Federated Church - town common
 - 9 - 4 pm on Saturday
 - STC will have a tent; ATV there
 - TC, RP, JS, BG and DP will all be there
- SCA crew
 - Arrives Aug. 23 -
 - DP available 23, 24, 30, 31, 1
 - DV can help too
 - Thu/Fri 25/26 - FR and BG
 - FR & TC 23 meet
 - Sat/Sun 27/28
 - Bob
 - Mini workday on Sat 27 to get gravel out to bridges
 - DV to host dinner on 8/31
 - FR to coordinate who is onsite each day. Phone list: FR, BG, TC,

OLD BUSINESS:

- None

NEW BUSINESS:

- BG motions to have the STC support the Rotary 5K event on Oct. 30th. JS seconds motion. Vote 5 - 0.

NEXT MEETING: September 12, 2022 at 7:00 pm.

ADJOURN: BG motions to adjourn. FR seconds motions. Vote 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:43 PM