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## SHP TRAIL MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE AGENDA Thursday, February 20, 2025 7PM

**Municipal Center  
Stratham, NH 03885**

To access materials related to this meeting, please see this link:

<https://www.strathamnh.gov/parks-recreation/stratham-hill-park-trail-management-advisory-committee>

- I. Call to Order: 7:00 PM
- II. Roll Call: Kate Dardinski, John Singleton, Edie Barker, Bill McCarthy, Greg Blood, Trish Weideman, Seth Hickey
- III. Consideration of minutes from previous meetings: Approved minutes of December 2024.
- IV. Map Update: Presentation of proposal for new maps.
- V. New kiosk locations: Recreation Commission has approved construction of and installation of 3 kiosks. Potential locations: Jack Rabbit parking lot near eco-counter, under power lines off Gifford Farm Road, Scale House, cleared area off Scamman Road (near lower Father/Son trails/USA Today merge), Long Hill entrance. Decision: Long Hill, Scale House, Jack Rabbit. Requests for additional kiosks will be explored.
- VI. Discussion location for 2nd EcoCounter: Use of EcoCounter has provided excellent data for use of park. Jack Rabbit location is permanent. Suggestions include near Dead Fish trail which should capture use at Gifford Farm. Seth Hickey will contact Recreation Commission to request additional funds for the purchase of two additional EcoCounters. Quote for 2 units received from Eco-Counter Inc. totalling \$9020.00.
- VII. Discussion: mountain biking: Invite NEMBA to upcoming meeting to discuss biking activities at SHP and Trail System. Suggested restrictions on size of groups and times available for large biking events/activities is one possible solution.

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VIII. UNH site walk debrief: Seth Hickey had site walk with Cooperative Extension on Monday, February 17th. Cooperative Extension Representatives: Sara Callaghan, Field Specialist, Community Conservation and Matthew Tara, PhD Extension Professor & State Specialist, Wildlife Habitat. Discussed several topics including differentiation of trails for activities, “Leave No Trace”, trails on private properties, improved signage, designation of spaces for special projects. Fenced dog space, buffer between off-leash and on-leash areas. Natural resource evaluation/inventory suggested. Such an inventory has been done in the past by Conservation Commission. Scope of work to include town-owned property and/or private properties which would require input from landowners.

IX. Ordinance rev. discussion: Chapter 1-12, Animal Control- Stratham Hill Park: Review and discussion of potential updates/changes. Legal counsel recommended update of this ordinance. Tax maps referenced in 1-12-02.a are outdated and must be updated. Definitions and scope will be updated.

X. Review of large group/events: Draft Event/Program schedule presented. Similar to past 5-6 years of events. Decisions of event cancellation due to weather conditions are made by Seth Hickey. Parking situations discussed.

XI. Acceptance of TMAC member resignation: Jock Dyer submitted resignation.

XII. Other items: Next meeting: March 19th, 2025, 7:00 PM, Town of Stratham, 10 Bunker Hill Road,

XIII. Adjournment: Adjourned 8:30 PM