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SHP TRAIL MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Draft Minutes

Wednesday, March 19, 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: 7:04 PM
- II. Roll Call: Kate Dardinski, John Singleton, Trish Weideman, Seth Hickey.
- III. Consideration of minutes from previous meetings: Approval deferred (lack of quorum).
- IV. NEMBA discussion of multi-use trails

Keith Baker: Cooperation on trails, there is not animosity among mountain bikers and dog walkers. Code of conduct exists with trail etiquette - starting with Kingdom Trails with a program called "Ride with Gratitude". Sharing the trails with other users. Reminder to yield the right of way. Will attend the seacoast NEMBA chapter meeting to share some ideas. Seth: 3 kiosks have been constructed and will include a map and information. There will be an approval process in terms of what the 'campaign' will look like. Seth shared that we may consider having a bell program to alert other trail users to approaching riders. Are there other case studies out there that have worked? Are there suggested group sizes for rides? Keith: some unaffiliated groups will still come together but we can make recommendations in terms of sizes. Discussion of classification of E-bikes and potential impact on trails.

- V. Kiosk update: Cedar lumber will be used as base material rather than pressure-treated. Construction completed. Discussion with DPW to determine how to install at each location (Jack Rabbit, Long Hill, Scale House). Concerns by other groups/Select Board about what will be communicated on each kiosk. Use of QR codes to provide additional mapping information discussed.
- VI. EcoCounter update: Jack Rabbit counter is damaged due to water/freeze/thaw-out of warranty. Seth is working with vendor and town officials for replacement, hoping the vendor will honor 30% discount.

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- VII. Eagle Scout Project: Cole Emanuel, Eagle Scout Project Stratham Hill Park Bridge Project. Purpose of meeting with TMAC is to review project which will be presented to the Conservation Commission, Park Association, and Select Board. Mr. Hickey suggested additional path improvement on either side of the bridge if possible. Project requires engagement of younger Scouts who cannot use power tools so Cole will require additional adult participation. TMAC can provide a letter of recommendation for Eagle Board.
- VIII. Ordinance update: Mr. Keating (public attendee) expressed potential changes to off-leash areas. Mr. Keating will reintroduce at upcoming Conservation Commission meeting.
- IX. Other items: Work day events planning deferred to next meeting.
- X. Next meeting: Wednesday, April 16, 2024. 7:00 PM
- XI. Adjournment: 8:23 PM

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