

**Sunrise Trail Coalition**  
**3/11/2013**  
**Minutes**

**Attending:** Charlie Corliss, Stephen Rees, Dave Wood, Maggie Warren, Ian Staub, Charlie Harrington, Jim Fisher, Arthur Tenan, Ray Archer, Sandy Johnson, Carol Cuddy, Bill Ceckler, Polly Ceckler, Jay Johnson

**Minutes of February Board Meeting**

- Did not have a quorum
- Notes were accepted without revision

**Treasurer's Report**

Ian Staub expressed thanks to Maggie and David for sending out the membership renewal letter. The results were good with many renewals.

- Bank Balance	\$15,519.57
- Dues Deposits	\$1,255.00
- Potter Deposit	\$100.00
- Ending Balance	\$16,874.57
- Bills Paid	\$231.78
- Closing Balance	\$16,642.79

Summary

- Grant Funds Request Carry Over	\$5,643.27
- Grant for Trail Survey	\$5,000.00
- Potter Memorial Fund	\$800.00
- Sally Jacobs Donation	\$100.00
- General Fund Balance	\$5,099.52

The Treasurer's report was accepted by STC Board

**Manager's Report**

- Trail has been closed for a week – it was saturated
  - o Pedestrians allowed
  - o Will reopen either when the entire trail is dry or by section
- Working on Contracts
  - o One year contracts for mowing and brushing
  - o One year contract for washouts
- Put counters on the trail
  - o One counter in Machias was stolen
  - o Counters are down
  - o Warden will be prepared to write tickets for people that use the trail now
- Question – What should we do about the Privies?
  - o Options

- Vault Privy
  - Pit Privy
  - PortaPotty
  - Do nothing
- Locations
  - Washington Junction
    - Possible collaboration with Downeast Historic Rail Heritage Trust
    - Funds may be available through our NPS grant or through DOC Public Lands and Recreation
  - Machias
    - Station 88 – possible in the future
    - Local businesses are currently used, but not with a formal agreement
  - East Machias – Options
    - Partner with Archibald’s – paying
    - Downeast Salmon Federation
  - Ayers Junction
    - Not a lot of use at this end of the trail. This is not the highest priority for a facility.
- Ian Staub Moves
  - Reserve a porta-potty for Washington Junction May 15 – to Columbus Day
  - We will investigate cost and funding for Washington Junction and one additional location
    - NPS – re-use of the grant
    - DOC
  - Motion passed unanimously

### **Membership Subcommittee Report**

- Reviewed the Kennebec River Rail Trail Capital Campaign Notebook
- Began to develop a campaign for this project
- Mission “Health and Wealth” Campaign
- Fits with two planning initiatives for Economic Development and redevelopment
- This committee will meet again before the next board meeting
  - Explore the concept
  - Work out details

### **Trail Surface – Strategic Planning Committee Report**

- Ian Staub - Chair
- Need to make trail more comfortable for bicycles
- Problems – ruts, rocks, water, dust
- Looked at current trail construction
  - Preference for crushed concrete
  - Depth
    - 6” - Cost \$20,000 per mile
    - 3” - Cost \$10,000 per mile
- Use of liquid calcium
  - Charlie applies this to bind the trail

- Reduces dust, but also stabilizes surface
- Might try a heavier application after grading a rolling in Machias
- Discussion
  - Bill – if we have a document / outline of priorities, this might help us to raise funds
    - The plan should be available in the event that a grant RFP emerges
    - Locations
      - Franklin
      - Route 183
      - Cherryfield
      - Whitneyville to East Machias
  - Arthur- Has there been any discussion of recycled asphalt
    - Recommendation: Run tests of Recycled Asphalt – sample miles
    - There are large piles in Orland and Pembroke
    - Find out about potential environmental projects

### Sally Jacobs Memorial

- Several members of the committee attended a meeting in Augusta
  - Carol, Maggie, Sandy, Dave, Charlie attended
- Richard and Sally Jacobs Memorial Bench – Sally’s Daughters project
  - Milepost 72 – to Great Works
    - Gardner Lake Headwaters
  - Schoodic Bog
    - Small Island in the bog
- Granite Memorial in Machias
  - Machias Trail Head
    - Near boxcar and Station
    - Dike on the way to East Machias
  - Dedicated to Sally and Dick
  - Scott Ramsay at DOC may have funds for the granite
- Alternative Interpretive panel – with photo, biography
- Events options
  - ATV Ride
    - Seek Sponsors– like Friend and Friend
    - Fund Raiser for the Trail
  - Family Bicycle Outing
- Moved by Sandy – Jim will transmit these ideas to Sally and Dick’s Children

### Other Trail Events

- Machias 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
  - June 15, 2013
  - Need to speak with Kathy at Machias
  - Sunrise Trail is signed up to be in the parade
    - Bicycles, ATVs
  - College Campus will have a fair
    - Set up a Sunrise Trail table



**SATURDAY**  
**May 11**  
**10:00 AM**

Register in person at EMARC or online  
 at [www.mainesalmonrunners.org](http://www.mainesalmonrunners.org)  
 FMI: Call Maria at 271-7564

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**DSF** DOWNEAST SALMON FEDERATION

**4-MILER**  
**AND BLOATER BASH**

Join Downeast Salmon Federation for our first annual SMOLT BOLT 4-miler. Runners will start in Machias and run the wide, flat and scenic Downeast Sunrise Trail along the water to East Machias. The BLOATER BASH at the finish line will include freshly smoked alewives ("bloaters") from our heritage smokehouse. Guaranteed to be a unique and fun event!

- Ellsworth
  - Fall Celebration – Autumn Gold
  - LL Bean Expansion – 2<sup>nd</sup> week in Maine
  - 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
- Discussion of Events – Tabled until next board meeting
- Machias – March 29<sup>th</sup> 5:00 PM Machias Chamber of Commerce Dinner and Auction
  - Stephen will make a presentation
  - Sponsor - \$250
  - Table Sponsor - \$150
  - Individuals \$25
  - Stephen recommends being a table sponsor

### **Board Composition**

- Jacob Van de Sande has stepped down – term was to expire in 2013
- Steve Salisbury - moved away and also had to step down – recently re-elected
- Suggest that we consider who might fill those positions
- Criteria
  - Who they represent
  - Regional representation

### **Future Meetings**

- April 8 Maine Sea Coast Mission
- May 13 Helen's Restaurant Machias

### **New Business**

- Ray Archer - Offering photographs for auctioning at events
  - March 29<sup>th</sup> Dinner Auction – might use the photograph for
  - Committee selected an autumn photograph of the trail
  - Ray will have photograph framed
  - Future photographs – we might pay for framing
- Arthur Tenan
  - Machias Rotary is auctioning an ATV
  - If STC assists in selling tickets – might get a percentage
  - The board asked for specifics
- Arthur Tenan's relative owns the Eastland Motel in Lubec
  - Looking for trail connection
- Washington County COG will have a booth at the Lubec Marathon June 23
  - Promoting the Bold Coast Scenic Byway- but can also add some information about the Sunrise trail
- Cherryfield Days
  - Planning has started – probably will be held the last weekend in June
  - Steve Wade is chairing this year
  - Selling food at town events would mean competing with other folks selling food.
- Jim – Noted that MaineDOT has allocated \$1,411,916 for Calais Branch Trail from Washington Junction to Hancock in Ellsworth along Calais Branch Rail Corridor.