# Sunrise Trail Board Meeting Friday, August 28, 2015 2:00 – 4:00 PM Ellsworth City Hall Auditorium Agenda

- Attending: Stephen Rees, Ian Staub, Janna Newman, David Cole, Richard Tupper, Charles Corliss, Bill Ceckler, Polly Ceckler, Leslie Harlow, Carol Cuddy, Sandy Johnson, Jim Fisher
- Introductions
- Approval of Minutes for July 22, 2015 www.sunrisetrail.org/news/minutes/destmin072215.pdf
  - Minutes approved with revisions
    - Spelling of name
    - (Note: The minutes about correction to the prior minutes are incomplete here due to the computer not being ready at start of meeting.)
- Discussion Status Sunrise Trail Extension Into Ellsworth: Michele Gagnon, Ellsworth Planner
  - o Projected image of trail design from Plymouth Engineering
  - Discussion
    - Card Brook
      - Environmental Impact meeting
        - Skip Varney, DACF
        - Scott Ramsay, DACF
        - DEP Representative
        - o Fred Marshal, Plymouth Engineering
        - City of Ellsworth

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- ATV fuel access difficulty crossing High Street
  - Alternatives for parking and fuel access?
  - STAR Center / self-service fuel facility
  - Access to Ellsworth Wayside Market / Shell Station requires trail through Card Brook wetland
    - Have tentative approval to pass through Acadia Village from most land owners
- Trail terminal limited or no parking
- Beal Street concern about traffic impacts on residents
  - How to prevent ATV's from entering Beal Street

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- Stephen process to insure that the extension is safe, convenient, practical City of Ellsworth
  - Ellsworth can work with MaineDACF and MaineDOT to arrive at a final design
  - David need to work with Augusta
    - The city wants to make full use of the trail assets
    - Want to see what can be done to create a route to Route 1 rather than a Route 1A crossing
  - Jim efforts to build a proper trail head have not been funded
- President's Report Stephen Rees
  - Moosehorn Refuge East Coast Greenway Trail Tour August 22

- 1. Ray, Ian, Stephen and Charlie met at the Moosehorn Refuge
- 2. Director is open to discussion about a trail passage through the refuge conditional on control of noise. ATV's would need effective mufflers.
- 3. Rail bed is state property not under jurisdiction of the federal reserve
- 4. Stephen sent a thank you to the manager –
- 5. Want to return to ride the trail
  - 1. Identify where maintenance is necessary
  - 2. Need for wayfinding signage
  - 3. Suggest returning to Moosehorn in the autumn for a rid
- Status Discussion Sunrise Trail Extension Ayers Junction Into Calais
  - 1. Will set up a meeting in the autumn with Bill Kollednicke and the mayor of Calais and other organizations will confirm a date and locations
  - 2. Can meet at the Moosehorn Lodge
- Planning August 2016 25th Anniversary East Coast Greenway Way Ride
  - 1. First year of the designation there was a group ride for the length of the greenway
  - 2. Stephen is helping to organize the ride
  - 3. May have a pre-ride from St. Stephens to Calais on August 5
  - 4. Calais departure will be August 6
  - 5. Machias August 7
  - 6. Other stops Ellsworth, Winter Harbor
  - 7. Acadia National Park Anniversary
    - 1. Windjammer parade in Sommes Sound
    - 2. Invited Barack Obama
- o 2nd Annual Sunrise Trail Relay Race Results
- Treasurer's Report Ian Staub or designee see report below

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- Manager's Report Charlie Corliss
  - Porta-Potty
    - 1. Close Cherryfield campsite October 31
  - Jacobs Memorial
    - 1. Jim brought a rotary hammer for Charlie to install the plaque on the rock
  - Bike rack was already installed
  - Three checks deposited through Pay Pal- but appear not to have been transferred
  - Washouts Heavy Rainfall
    - 1. Jonesboro
    - 2. Cherryfield
    - 3. Steuben
    - 4. East Machias
    - 5. Unionville to Tunk may have more washouts
  - Funding was in good shape need to be careful about it now
  - Grading ongoing, but progression slowly due to drought
    - 1. 2/3 complete, 15 miles remain
    - 2. Currently in Columbia Falls
  - Escorted the Potter Family to the memorial site where they had a service
  - DART Funded ATV map will go to the printer
- Membership Carol Cuddy
  - o Carol will send a reminder for membership right away to those that did not

Stephen has a draft newsletter ready to send

- Will try to get a draft letter to Jim for a November
- Crystal Hitchings can provide support services for \$1,500 per year
- Planning annual members meeting
  - October Annual meeting

#### Administrative Tasks

- o Discussion appointment new recording Secretary and Webmaster
- Discussion Washington County Council of Governments Proposal
- Expiring
  - 1. Archer Renewing
  - 2. Robinson Renewing
  - 3. Ceckler Renewing
  - 4. Harrington Don't know
- New members
  - 1. Sharon Mack Wants to be on the board
  - 2. Austin Guinn (Sp?) Calais snowmobile club
  - 3. One two year term
- Next year
  - 1. Hollis Hill Retiring
  - 2. Andy Gallant Unknown

# Planning Annual Members Meeting and Board Election

- o Location and Date / Time Wednesday October 21, 2015 2:00 4:00 PM
- o Determination Number Expiring Board Members/Nominees
- Determination Size of Board Membership/Necessity To Amend Bylaws

#### • Long Range Initiatives

- Trail surface improvements
- o Machias Station 88 Improvements Proposed Deck and Ramp

#### Priorities for 2015

- Vault privies Cherryfield campsite
- Signage for parking and location of trail (see minutes)
- Picnic tables/shelters
- o Town line signs

## Smaller items

- Brochure Dispensers
- Bicycle Racks for Machias and Other location

## • Trail Impact Study

### 2015 Events

- Wrap up for Marathon
- o Friend & Friend Sunrise Trail ATV Ride/Barbecue
  - 1. September 27: Andy Gallant
- Planning 1st Annual Fall Equestrian Ride/Barbecue: Steve Rees

#### Winter 2016 Events

o Planning 2nd Annual Cross Country Ski Day

# STC Treasurer Report as of 8/28/15

Bank Balance as of 7/31/15:	\$21,617.35
Deposit on 8/28/15 (Crow Athletics)	1,610.00
Deposit on 8/28/15 (Dues)	45.00
Total Deposit:	1,655.00
Interest:	<u>0.93</u>
Bank Balance as of 8/28/15:	\$23,273.28

Bills Paid:

Frost Septic (July & August) Wash. Jct. 130.00 Ray Plumbing Company Cherryfield 105.00

# **Account Balances:**

Grant Fund Carry Over: \$5,643.27 BSB Grant: 1,000.00 Trail Survey Grant Balance: 4,115.79

General Fund Balance: \$12,514.22 (Need J. Fisher Billable Hours)

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Dues paid via Pay Pal (see below) not included because have not appeared on BHBT Statement as of 7/31/15.

6/16/15: Margaret Fenwick:	\$20.00
7/28/15: Eric Boberg:	25.00
8/7/15: Gary Allen:	25.00
Total:	\$70.00