

Minutes of the Sunrise Trail Coalition Meeting, 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, September 7, 2010 at Helen's Restaurant in Machias

Present: Pres. Bill Ceckler, Polly Ceckler, Peter Knowles, Sally Jacobs, Sandy Johnson, Jay Johnson, Stephen Rees, Wayne (for Gail) Peters, Chris Loughlin (Machias Town Manager), Charles Corliss, Katherine Cassidy.

Agenda:

1. The meeting was called to order at 4:09. Introductions were made, newcomers welcomed and the sign-in sheet circulated.

President Ceckler announced that the primary objective of this meeting would be to plan our portion of the Trail Grand Opening Celebration, Tuesday, September 21, 10 a.m. at Washington Junction. He asked everyone to please plan to come and bring bicycles and ATVs!

- **2.** It was announced that Stephanie Clement is resigning as Secretary. There were no minutes presented.
- 3. There was no Treasurer's Report from Dave Wood.

4. MDOT/MDOC updates - Charlie Corliss

- By noon today (9/07) all gravel was down, just needs rolling.
- Steve Richardson and Charlie held a pre-inspection tomorrow (9/08)
- Final inspection will be 9/14 or 9/15
- Sidings are all being cleanied and and they look good. All the ties have been sold, all rails sold.
- There is 1 curshed culvert to be replaced
- Only 3 of the crew will be left by the end of the week.
- All bridges finished
- All waste ties going to Juniper Ridge.
- Schoodic Bog section took 2 weeks instead of the predicted 3 day. 10'
 width is the maximum in Schoodic bog with drop-offs. Warning signs are
 in place.
- All sign-posts are in
- There continues the battle of Charlie vs. the beavers.
- Kiosk for Ayers Junction- JJ at the prison will build it There are no more 8"x8" at the Salmon Hatchery Building. Cost is \$109 for 16' pressurtreated post. Steuben has hemlock to mill. Steve Rees and Charlie met

with Tony Barrett and made plans for the ECG signs. Assembly on an individual post: Recreational Trail with symbols, DEST logo sign and ECG. East Coast greenway are directional i.e., to Key West or to Calais. Screws not available, using metal putty.

- All signs will be up by next week
- Wayne expressed trail concerns passed on to him. Can there be speed limits. 15 mph have been installed although not enforceable. Charlie has made several application of calcium chloride to keep the dust down.
- Need sign policy and application. Estimate cost \$50 per post/sign/labor.
- Bill expressed need for picnic tables (Eric Holmes, Sawbuck), benches, and porta-potties. \$150 per month per Porta-Potty. Need to generate funds. Wayne pointed out some businesses have them, e.g., Archibald's. Shall we buy and just have to pay to pump. Maybe regular maintenance could be taken care of by work release program.

5. Discussion of Trail Opening and Celebration

- Tent location (out of way of neighbor's right-of-way.) \$1000 for tent/tables/chairs/8'x8' stage.,
- Porta-Potty, Ray Plumbing @\$75 or 2 for \$140 for the day. \$100 for a month

<u>Sandy moved and Jay seconded</u> the motion to get one porta-potty for a month. Vote unanimous in favor.

Posts and Ribbon across trail. (posts are up)Charlie call Dig Safe; scissors Bill get from E;llsworth Chamber of Commerce

<u>Steve Rees moved and Sandy Johnson seconded</u> the motion to a lot \$1000 for the tent, 6 tables, 50 chairs,

- PA system and dais/podium by MDOT
- Signs "TO WASHINGTON JUNCTION-- MDOT
- No Parking along N side of Parking lot for resident Young's access MDOT
- Bill will check with Crob Box about parking in their field across road
- Refreshments STC –Sally
- MDOT providing posters, maps, brochure, souvenir sign-in sheet, new Bike Tour book
- Charlie bring hats, T-shirts, banners. Charlie has ordered hats and T-shirts.
- MDOT providing postcards for notice to members and friends MDOT printing ours and sending their own. Bill has spopken to Full Circle printing. They will put address on 400 for \$85. Just members list for \$30.
- Dave Wood needs to send Excel file of members to Peter.
- It was decided to use stamps—bulk is too slow. Just mail to members and friends.
- Peter send announcement by Constant Contact. Katherine Cassidy volunteered to cull our big list in future. Rid it of dead and departed.
- To do: Peter send list to Katherine Cassidy and to printer.

- Bill will get two bicycles for dignitaries.
- Sponsors and ECG allowed to have displays.

To Do: Thank-you's to sponsors etc after it is over.

Everybody wear DEST hats and T-shirts!!

6. The plans for the Annual Meeting. September 19, were discussed: rejected Cable Pool, not shelter or restrooms. Decided on Cherryfield Academy 11:30-2 followed by a ride. Charlie will reserve.

Bill will work on slate of officers, new members. Please give him suggestions

7. Old Business

- a) Peter Knowles agreed to mail Constant Contact announcements We deferred discussion of Bangor Hydro power line, until next meeting
- b) Signage Committee report deferred till next meeting.
- 8. Next Meeting November 16 4:00 Ellsworth, at The Grind
- 9. Adjourned at 6:15

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Jacobs, Secretary pro tem