

Mobbs Farm Committee Minutes

March 28, 2016 at 7:00 pm

Jericho Town Hall

Members Present: Pam Gillis, Pete Davis, Andy Dumas, Terry Hook, Mike Remington, Mike Rocheleau, Dick Sears, Chris Smith

1. Public comment: No guests present.
2. The minutes of the February 22 meeting were approved as amended to include additional detail on blowdowns that were cleared.
3. Update on Timber and Stone:
 - a) We plan to meet with Josh onsite to discuss where to lay tread and place culverts, and will propose two dates/times for the walk-through: Wednesday, April 6, at 6:00 (first choice), and Tuesday, April 5, at 6:00 (second choice).
4. Spring Maintenance Day (Saturday, April 30):
 - a) List of tasks to be completed:
 - i. Improve drainage on Out & Back trail;
 - ii. Complete tread and culvert work on Pam's Swale;
 - iii. Repair puncheon leading to Ridge Trail from Pam's swale;
 - iv. Remove grapevines that are choking some apple trees along the Apple Tree Trail;
 - v. Clear any blowdowns on trails;
 - vi. Clear leaves on trails.
 - b) Supplies needed:
 - i. Lumber. We have enough 4x4s to complete work on Pam's Swale and the puncheon that needs repair. We discussed a possible box culvert construction for Pam's Swale that would use 4x6s and 6x6s and would be adequately robust for horse traffic. We will revisit this option at our April 25 meeting and make a final decision on how to proceed at our Spring Maintenance Day.
 - ii. Leaf blower. We'll look into possibilities for borrowing a leaf blower for the day.
 - iii. Chain saws for blowdown clearance.
 - iv. General trail maintenance tools (grub hoes, etc.)
 - c) Pete will contact Brian Stone of Garden of Eatin' for possible donation of refreshments.
 - d) Spring Maintenance Day preparation will be finalized at our next meeting.
5. Mobbs app update: Mike Rocheleau is researching development possibilities.
6. The Committee approved Green Mountain Hounds' request to hold a July 30 riding and fundraising event at Mobbs, contingent upon acceptable trail conditions. The ride would be similar to other successful Green Mountain Hounds events held at Mobbs, with 25-30 riders expected to attend.
7. Other Business:
 - a) Mike Rocheleau volunteered to reset rails that have become loose in the Fitzsimonds parking area.
8. Next meeting is scheduled for April 25 at 7:00 pm.