

**Nottingham Conservation Commission**  
**Trails Committee Meeting Agenda**  
**Thursday, May 16, 2019 – 5:30 PM**  
**Nottingham Town Office, Conference Room #2**

1. Special Topic Discussion Marston Property (5:30-6:30 pm) - Present - KC, KD, SM, JB, and LG
  - o Kortney, Chris, Matt, and the plan designer (Ironwood Design Group and CMA Engineers) are on a Marston Committee.
  - o Purpose of the RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM (RTP) Grant is for Nottingham to obtain 10.5k for Americorps (SCA) for a 10 day period or a 5 days period for 5.5k
  - o Primary Contact: Alexis Rudko (Kortney is the Point Person but her email is alexis.rudko@dnrcr.nh.gov)
  - o Action Items: [data request NHB and Fish & Game](#), check to see if wetlands or setback are flagged.
  - o NTC proposal for phase one: cut trail from preexisting road around proposed parking area loop.
2. Welcome and Announcements (6:30-6:35 pm) - KC, JB, KD, SM, SD, CA and LG
3. Review Minutes (6:35-6:45 pm)
  - o SD motioned to approve minutes from 4/11/19 workshop; SM seconded; Approved
  - o JB motioned to approve minutes from 4/04/19 NTC meeting; SD seconded; Approved
4. Property Updates (6:45-7:20 pm)
  - o Marston: Kortney to look into flexibility regarding trail construction/location. Do we have the ability to start cutting the trails now? Construction starts in August. Wait until fall for trail cutting.
  - o Kennard: Vernal Pool walk on 4/14 (Attendance: DK, LG, CA, CR, JB, KC, LK). Several vernal pools were positively identified on the property based on the presence of fairy shrimp and cigar shaped caddis fly larvae. The original ridge trail will be reassessed to stay 75 ft from the vernal pool(s) after further reconnaissance. Proposed to the south side, uphill of the pool.
  - o Terninko: CA, JB & KC walked the trail on 4/20 to scope out a brook crossing to minimize wetlands impact. Jon took soil pulls of the area needing a wetland crossing to discover gleyed mineral soils - seen only in high functioning wetlands and evidence that this wetland has

not suffered any past disturbance. An uncommon sight indeed! Celia has amended the proposed trail to be further back from the wetland boundary and has proposed a narrower area for the brook crossing. The trail crossing BMP will need to span approximately 20 feet of wetland to cross the brook. Needs further recon. *This trail may not move forward pending landowner permission.*

- o Marsh Woods: Division of Historical Resources review has been submitted by LG. Waiting on results of wildlife monitoring survey from F&G and permission from the Nottingham Select Board prior to submitting trails notification to NHDES. Once trails notification is accepted we will submit compatible use authorization to NRCS. Celia has some rough sawn wood and would like to donate to this project.

**Potential to submit RTP Grant for this property immediately.**

- **Could we lodge the SCA at Pawtuckaway? What are the requirements for water and facilities? Potable needed?**

- **DUE JUNE 21**

**5. Action Item Recap (7:25-7:30)**

- o Proposed that Celia be reimbursed for \$25 for NHB data check request.
- o JB to review trails notification (permit by notification) for Marsh Woods
- o Look into RTP feasibility for Marsh Woods ASAP - **DUE JUNE 21**
  - Do we need all permits in hand?
  - Obtain vendor estimates for four small wetlands crossings ~16 ft long bank to bank
- o Schedule a Bittersweet blitz over email (early June)
- o Start flagging Marston

**Adjourned: Moved by SM, Seconded by CA, unanimously approved at 8:00pm**

**Next meeting: Tuesday, June 4, 2019 – 6:30 PM, Conf. Room #2**

Submitted by: Krystal Costa

Approved: 6/04/2019