Middlesex Trails Committee
Monday, July 14, 2025
7:00 pm
Minutes - draft

Attending: Adrienne Magida, Mitch Osiecki, Joanne Mankoff, Dave Shepard, Sven Coeyne, Michael Levine

Dave Shepard moved and Mitch Osiecki seconded approval of the meeting minutes for June 9, 2025. Motion carried

Follow up on Mad River Path Advisory Committee meeting - The Warren Select Board authorized money to begin planning the path in Warren. The Advisory Committee will disband and a new committee will form.

Hunger Mountain and other road signs - update - Mitch is working on putting up the signs.

Wrightsville work day - Jane Dudley requested a couple of summer evening sessions for 2 hours each. Joanne will coordinate with Jane about making this work.

Loop trail - next steps - People will walk the loop trail on Tuesday, July 22 to try to finalize a route and make the markings clear. Then we will contact Seth Coffey to have him check it out.

There has been evidence of a man staying at the cabin on the loop trail. Work is underway to try to get him to leave.

7:20 - Future Planning

What have we done?

- Loop Trail - initial phase for family friendly trail
- Steward of Chases' Mountain Trail - yearly hike and maintenance
- White Rocks stewards - observe and report to Dept. of Parks and Recreation once a year
- Put signs on roads leading to Hunger Mountain trailhead.

- Town Trails and class 4 roads - all have signs in place. They are also on What's Next Middlesex website (except for Bushey Road and Bolduc/Dolan Road trail, but these will be added.)

What needs to be finished or is ongoing work?

- Wrightsville - working with Jane Dudley to help improve trail system there
- Russ Bennett's Galaxy property - waiting for some direction from Russ once building begins
- Mad River Path - where the terminus will be in Middlesex
- Kimberly Hagen's trail from Ellis Bruce trail to Wrightsville

What needs to be repaired?

What do we want to do next?

- Wrightsville
- Loop Trail
- Owl's Head in the Town Forest - clear tree on trail
- Kimberly's trail

What do we do in the future?

- Galaxy Trials
- Trail from Red Hen to Bear Roots store
- Class 4 road in Town Forest to the Beaver Pond

Update on Conservation Commission - didn't meet in June

Shady Rill Picnic Area - there was a meeting with the Resource Conservation representatives, members of the Trails Committee, and others. They are willing to do light work in the area to provide pedestrian access, a Port-a-Potty, a small parking area to keep it open for recreational access but not with a lot of amenities.

Trail blazing - Dave would like to get a few people to help with painting the blazing markers on the White Rocks trail. He will let us know some possible dates.

Date of next meeting - no meeting in August - September 8, 2025, second Monday of the month.