

## **Marbletown Trails Committee minutes**

**March 22, 2022**

**2:00 P.M. at the Marbletown Community Center**

Attendees : Chris Schoonmaker, Ron Pierce, Jill McLean, Jessica Phelan, Carl Pezzino, Alan Zapolsky, Larry Skalla, Andy Lutz, John Michalski, Rich Hines

**Called meeting to order at 2:10 P.M.**

**A big thank you to all who have gone out and done clean up!**

**Our current focus is making sure the trail is clear and ready for highway when they start mowing.**

- **Trail segment reports**

- Highway took care of the big trees, N of Damon's driveway. They also took care of the barber chair on the college connector. Thank you Highway !
- Mr. Lutz reports trees down on his section. They have been cleaned up since the meeting. The leaners remain, pictures have been sent out to the group.
- Leggett to 213, a big tree fell but was cleared with a front end loader. We still aren't sure who did this work.
- Mr. Pierce did a big dog poo bag clean up. Thank you Mr. Pierce!!
- Carl reports a tree down past K9 marker on the bench. This tree has been cleared.
- Rene and Rich report a lot of debris on the sides of Cottekill S, especially near lilac hill. The ditch needs work, Rich will start working on it. Highway has done a great job.
- John M. reports his section is clear. Erosion remains around the little bridge; this is on the Highway priority list. Trail is in good shape.
- Chris reports, Marcott N is clear for mowing to the Town line. Chris also reports, 213 to Rondout Mfg. being clear. Carl also worked on small stuff in this section.
- Chris reports, near the solar farm on Marcott N is wet. Gravel is needed in this area.

- **College Connector and grand opening**

- Highway will come chip what we pile up for them. There is cedar on the connector that the committee may use for backstops at either Leggett or Cottekill. We will ask highway to transport it.
- Grand opening of College Connector will be on May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022, along with a Community Day that Michael Tumminia is planning.
- Working on signage.
- College has agreed to reimburse highway dept. for work to be done on last section of College Connector to Kelder parking lot. This work will now start soon.

- **Other notes**

- We have added Kristie Wikane and Alan Zapolsky to our trails email list.
- Flynn O'Connor has been doing some ditching down past the Town line on Rest Plaus South. He has done a great job and that area is drying out !

**See below for the summary Jill sent out on 3/24**

Yesterday trail members went out in different locations of the trail to perform clean up! Hurley line to Marcott is clear and ready for mowing; Marcott to Cottekill is clear of down tree; Damon driveway North to bench was cleared by Highway; Leggett south to 213 is clear; 213 South was cleared of 2 down trees on the ground but 2 leaners at those locations still exist; 2 down trees near Rest Plaus are cleared; Creek Walk looks good, COVID signs are being removed, Central Hudson has put up additional fencing near the creek that D&H Canal Society owns; College Connector is a work in progress to bring downed debris near the edge of the trail for Highway to chip. This trail is a focus for the May 21<sup>st</sup> Community Day that is being sponsored by the RVBA and Michael Tummunia along with the unveiling of the College Connector Trail.

We are aiming to get sides clear for the mowing that will be happening before we know it!

Thank you to all for the hard work that you have done!

**Meeting adjourned at 3:00 P.M.**