

Thompson Trails Committee MINUTES "SPECIAL MEETING"

Monday, April 29, 2019, 6:00 pm, Thompson Town Hall, Merrill Seney Community Room

In attendance: Karen Durlach, John Kochinskas, Mike Lajeunesse, Lucille Langlois, Brian Loffredo, Charlie Obert, David Ostrowski, Paul Provost; Selectman Ken Beausoleil, Town Planner Tyra Penn; Lyann Graff, TLGV; Tom Burelle, Pat Cheever, Cody McCall
UCONN Engineering Prof. Howard Epstein and UCONN Engineering students Benjamin Hipsky, Peter Kamianowski. Jacob Marganski

UCONN Presentation & discussion:

Design of Air Line Trail pedestrian (+horse, & bike) bridge over RT 193

55' long x 10' wide prefab steel bridge & bridge materials, with reinforced concrete deck; load bearings specs, CONNDOT requirements; steel reinforced concrete retaining walls with simulated stone facing; drainage, pedestrian/bike access from 193, trail elevation & slope; alternate traffic route during bridge installation

Estimated Budget: \$900,000

Visuals of plans left at Town Hall for further study; copy of slide presentation and written report to come

6:45 Business Meeting called to order. Lucille volunteered to moderate.

CT Trail Census counter: Charlie & John moved the counter with census staff to Air Line Trail north of junction of East Thompson Road & New Road; received trainings & current survey forms

Goals: • calibrate counter with 10 hours of data, in 2 hour blocks, by Nov.

- collect 100 intercept forms by Nov.

T-shirts: available for sale at Recreation Department office

CT Trails Day & TLGV Spring Outdoors:

Charlie leading Train Wreck talk for Saturday, June 1, 10:00-12:00

Paul & Charlie, with THS, designing signs for tour

John leading Tri-State Trail hike for June 2

Lucille & Karen will have t-shirts available for sale before the events begin & help with collecting CT Trail Census intercept surveys & data for counter calibration

Policy discussion: action protocol between meetings; Karen will do some research; put on agenda for continued discussion next meeting

EDC Branding Implementation Committee follow-up EVENT June 5,

6:00-9:30 at the Thompson Library

Tyra Penn extended invitation to all committee members

RSVPs by May 31 to planner@thompsonct.org

NEXT BUSINESS MEETING: Monday, June 3, 2019, 7:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned 7:30 p.m.