FONAT Monthly Meeting Minutes – 27 February 2019

In attendance (Help me out Glen! Some other folks including...) Jim Stan Rob Jeanne Glen Lynn (brought brownies) Tom Brian (took these minutes)

Money Update

Membership renewals - could we do multi-year renewals? Glen to get email copy for renewals. Steve submitted a balance sheet.

Edgewood walks

Used almost all the wood. A few little bits left to use.

Guidebooks

- Rocky's sells 80% of our guides
- Butcher Boy is probably 2nd most.
- Stan's down to 40 books.

- Does anyone know any realtors who might want to buy the books to give away to buyers and prospects? Stan looking into it.

New edition? No progress yet. Maps need updates.

Reports from the trails

James Swamp looks clear, as well as Bruin Hill.

Farnsworth & Town Farm

- 19 people successful.
- Was a bit icy.
- One hiker has slipping and falling, then he turned around. He didn't come with proper

equipment.

Middle School Cleanup at HPSP

Successful. Lots of trash cleaned up.

We get many emails volunteering for cleanup, but we need suggestions for non-road cleanup places. Speak up if you know one.

Ongoing Projects

Lake trail: On going. Signage pending. Hasn't been completely figured out yet.

BSF BCT Boardwalk

RDA went in front of Conservation Commission. Went through very easily. We seemed to have build a nice rapport with the commission. This is the only approval needed. Seems to be good to go. CC will send a letter to confirm.

BCT Stone wall crossing - behind Cyr Funding request submitted to CPA group a couple weeks ago. Meeting coming up Tuesday, probably at Town Hall, 7pm. They don't think an RDA is required.

Stan talks about another trail - "Mill to Hill Trail"
But I couldn't follow... almost sounded like the rail trail, from Stachey's past the high school and on to Trustees Land. Built by the town, but "Done by June"?

No plastic sign plans updates

Hickory Hill Rd. Easement

Received an email from a Hickory neighbor. Trail is maintained by a different neighbor. Emailer was upset someone went across her yard. Glen visited her, and it looks like a sign would help the situation.

If there are other places we could make smaller-than-kiosk signs to help guide people to hidden trails, suggestions welcome.

Webelos looking to do a nature walk week-end of April 22. Looking for volunteers. Let Glen know. ## Revision Energy employees want to volunteer to help on trail maintenance. Looking for projects, an afternoon's worth of efforts. Thursdays and Fridays in the spring. 5–6 people.

Greenbelt

Local non-profit meet up Friday March 1. Rob and Brian to go, Glen possibly, depending on work.

Edgewood Grant

They donate the profit from a convenience store to local non-profits. They're offering to put FONAT in the running. Glen suggested using it for a new kiosk. We've not heard back yet.

Merchant Assoc. Fall Fest Sept 21

Next Meeting March 27