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<u>Minutes</u> <u>October 1, 2020</u> <u>Wallingford Town Hall</u> <u>Room 315</u> 7:00 P.M.

Item 1 Call to Order

Regular meeting of the QRLTAC called to order at 7:01 PM

Item 2 Introduction of Guests and New Members None

Item 3 Approve Minutes from September 3, 2020 Motion: Sally; Second: Dave; Motion: Passed

Item 4 Co-Chair Announcements

Cathy is placing an order of bricks and will need assistance with installation.

There is still a need for mulch near Fireworks Island, also some newspaper to place as a weed barrier. The committee selected the clean-up day as Saturday, October 24 from 09:00 to noon, QRLTAC members only.

The Winter Carriage Ride will not be held because 1) that is the start of the cold and flu season and 2) Cedar Knolls has a limit of 100 people per public event. The QRLTAC has received a deposit refund from Cedar Knolls.

A long range plan with Public Works to control the invasive species on the QRLT. There is also Japanese knotweed on the Senior Center trail loop, and phragmites in places. There does not appear to be any bamboo. There is an effort at the State of Connecticut to develop a maintenance plan across the state.

Mary gave an update regarding the reimbursement received from the State of Connecticut DEEP Trails (Laurie Gianotti) and Milone and MacBroome, it was agreed to extend the previously agreed upon language of the grant.

There is Trail funding in the Bonding Commission but is not yet approved.

There is a manually-built suspension bridge in Vernon that could be used as a template to cross the Quinnipiac River for future trail considerations, ten feet above the high-water bridge.

Mary is talking with the North Haven trail committee regarding some of their projects and efforts.

Item 5 Town Engineer Report

No report was given as no one from Engineering was present.

Item 6 Subcommittee Reports

- 1) Environmental Design: Joellen, Fred, and Dave were asked to lead this new sub-committee.
- 2) Publicity / Financial: Balance \$3,235.83; Corporate Balance \$10,887.00
- 3) Grants & Applications: No new grants

Item 7 Public Q & A

None

Item 8 Other Business

The Step-Up Challenge will be reviewed, the activities were supposed to end at the Wallingford 350 Celebration. Participants will receive a certificate and the three top winners should get prizes.

Cathy will follow up with Elaine regarding the new Rules sign.

Item 9 Next Regular Meeting Thursday, November 5, 2020, in Town Council Chambers

Item 10 Adjournment The QRLTAC adjourned at 8:06 Motion: Sally; Second: Arleen; Motion: Passed