Concord Trails Subcommittee Meeting Minutes-Draft

10/14/2026 Council Chambers Room, City Hall Annex

Members Present:
Fran Philippe, Andrew Gould (Secretary), Max Hankard (Alternate), Jason Massa, Nick Holmes (Vice Chair), Rebecca Ross, Judy Weatherby (Alternate), and Jeff Lewis (Conservation Commission).
Staff: Kearsten O'Brien (Senior Planner), Ron Klemarczyk (City Forester), Carl Matson (Trail Ranger).
Absent: Rik Van Riel and Mark Cheever (Chair.)
Guests: Stacey Brown, Lisa Aquizap and Daphne Smith.

1. Meeting called to order at 5:16 PM.

2. Meeting minutes:

    - Approval of the 9/9/2026 meeting minutes. Fran Philippe made the motion. Judy Weatherby seconded the motion. Unanimous.

3. New Business:
    a. City Forester Report:
        - Ron Klemarczyk fixed bridges at Swope.
        - Cleared brush and trees at the Winant Park vistas.
    b. Trail Ranger Report:
        - Removed brush at West Portsmouth Street.
        - Helped Ron Klemarczyk clear brush at Winant Park.
        - Completed various easement monitoring. 28 completed to date.
        - Picked up trash at the Currier Road parking lot.
        - Cleaned up the East Sugar Ball bike path.
    c. The Trails Subcommittee discusses having an appreciation event for the trail stewards at Carter Hill Orchard. Date TBD.

4. Old Business
    a. West End Farm Trail guide description.
        - Edits will be sent to Mark Cheever.
        - Map edits will be sent to the Central NH Regional Planning Commission.

    b. Concord Trails Plan Chapters 4 and 5.
        - Continue to discuss ways to connect Concord trail networks as mentioned in the plan.
        - The trail maintenance and problems listed in 2021 continue to be relevant in 2026.

5. Other business:
    a. Hikes
        - October 24, 2026, historical hike at Winant Park led by Peter.
        - November 21, 2026 hike at Broken Ground led by Bob.

6. Staff Updates: Fran Philippe agreed to stay on the Trails Subcommittee for 2027.

7. Adjourn at 6:00. Rebecca Ross made the motion, Andrew Gould seconded the motion, unanimous.

Andrew Gould

Secretary