City of Shelton
Trails Committee
Meeting Minutes for
October 4, 2017

Present: Bill Dyer (Chair), Terry Gallagher, Val Gosset, Jim Taradine, Sheri Dutkanicz, Bob Wood. Also present: Teresa Gallagher, Natural Resource Manager; Mike Flament, potential new member.

The meeting was called to order by Bill Dyer, Chairman, at 5:34 pm.

1. Meeting Minutes: Sheri Dutkanicz made a motion to approve the September 2017 meeting minutes. Seconded by Val Gosset. All were in favor.

2. Public Portion: Joshua Andes from Boy Scout Troop 11 discussed his potential Eagle Scout project involving a new bench at Silent Waters and several refurbished benches to be placed where needed.

3. Membership issues: Richard and Sandie Skudlarek moved and are no longer able to be members. Guest Mike Flament has participated in work parties and considering joining the Committee.

4. Recent Trail Activities:
   A. A work party was held to clear the Paugussett at the Wiacek open space (12 hrs)
   B. A work party was held to clear out Turkey Trot Trail, especially under the powerlines (15 hrs)
   C. Bill Dyer cleared the Rec Path at the Lane Street boardwalk and applied Thompsons Deck Sealer to fence posts at Silent Waters (2 hrs).
   D. The Trails Committee lead a guided hike on Tahmore Trail, one of the Lollipop League hikes.
   E. The Shelton Day booth was cancelled because only three committee members were available to help out.
   F. Total for the month = 29 hours* (does not include hours by staff or CFPA Trail Managers for the Paugussett Trail)

5. Projects planned for the near future:
   A. 2017 “Lollipop Loop” Trails Challenge: Three people have completed the hikes so far.

6. Guided Hikes/Events:
   A. November 4: Full Moon Hike 7:00 pm, Nicholdale Farm. A raindate was set for Nov. 5, same time.
B. November 26: Turkey Trot Trek 1:00 p.m., meet at the SIS parking lot.

7. Potential Work Parties:
   A. October 14: Paugussett Trail reroute at Wiacek. Meet at Const. Blvd at 8:30 a.m.
   B. Oct. 28: Rec Path at Lane Street

8. Expenses:
   A. No expenses were submitted.

9. Equipment Issues:
   A. Jim Taradine suggested purchasing another gas-powered hedgetrimmer.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm. The next meeting will be held on November 1, 2017.

Minutes were prepared by Teresa Gallagher and should be considered a draft until approved by the Trails Committee.