



**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.