

MEETING MINUTES - HALFMOON  
TRAILS AND OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE (TOSC)  
April 18, 2022

1. OPENING – We opened the meeting at 7:08 pm, in the Halfmoon Town Hall and on-line via Whereby.

ATTENDANCE –Mike Meyer, John Mitchell, and Henrietta (Henny) O'Grady attended. In person and Paul (PJ) Maiello and Sandy Rohner were on line. Matt Shea was excused and there were no Town Board Liaisons present. We were visited by Bill Herman, Darlene McGraw, Gail Mitchell and Glenn Swatling.

2. MEETING MINUTES – Meeting minutes from February 22, 2022 were approved, as submitted.
3. GRANT PROJECT UPDATE – The March 2022 Grant Department Report was discussed. PJ provided more insight into various Crescent Park work, including the parking area expansion and ongoing trail paving, starting from the west. We discussed and were sorry to see the damage to the Vosburgh Road Preserve.
4. TOSC ORGANIZATIONAL DISCUSSIONS – We reflected on the changes since 12/16/13, when TOSC was formed. John has a 4/25/22 meeting with Kevin Tollisen to seek more active members, etc. Our meeting dates remain as 5/16, 7/18, 9/19, and 11/21/22.
5. TOSC approach to new trails, including Champlain Canal Towpath beyond UNR and Open Space. We briefly discussed these challenges and John will discuss with Kevin Tollisen.
6. Map review and distribution – PJ continues to work towards map kiosks and John is still working to have enough maps available. No progress on understanding how the Saratoga County Bike Study map will be used or how it should be interpreted.
7. HANKS HOLLOW, CREEKVIEW ESTATES, BETTS FARM, MOTT ORCHARD and other PDD's – John did not get input from Rich Harris, but shared that he observes that the Creekview Estates is active. All of the other trail-containing PDD's show no active work.
8. VOSBURGH & SWATLING FALLS PRESERVE STATUS – The Vosburgh preserve thru-trail has been damaged and the preserve opening this year is in jeopardy. Glenn Swatling was pleased that the Swatling Falls Preserve is finished and is being enjoyed by those who know about it.
9. REGIONAL TRAILS MEETINGS –The Countywide Trails Committee meetings have not restarted. The CCTWG and the CDTC BPAG continue to meet on line. The HHHP meet in person and continues to finish up the Gateway Visitor Center and the trails around Schuylerville.
10. CONCLUSION – The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm. Next meeting is 7:00 PM on Monday, 5/16/22.

Respectfully submitted,

John Mitchell. TOSC Chair