

# Southborough Trails Committee Meeting Minutes

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**Meeting Date:** Wednesday, June 12, 2018

**Meeting Time:** 6:30 PM

**Meeting Location:** Southborough Historical Society, 25 Common Street, Southborough, MA 01772

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**Meeting Called by:** Kathryn McKee

**Note Taker:** Satyendra Sharma

**Attendees:** Dan Frank, Luisa Vargas, Satyendra Sharma, Kathryn McKee, Isabelle Murphy

**Visitors:** Eric Hanson, Chris Hanson, and Sam Stivers

## Agenda Topics & Discussion

- Kathryn called the meeting to order at 6:45 PM

## Eric Hanson's Proposed Eagle Scout Project

- Development of parking area near the intersection of Route 30 and Framingham Road
- Install trail signage with detailed area routes on the location
- Eric to contact DPW for guidance
- Satyendra to be Trails Representative for this project

## Approved 05/16/2018 Minutes

- Dan moved to approve minutes. Luisa seconded. Unanimous Vote: 4-0

## Project updates

1. Peninsula trail – status of the structures along the trail- MWRA needs to be contacted about next steps and 8M Permit
2. Alex Flynn to be at Deerfoot and Parkerville road for his historical markers Eagle Scout project
3. Blazes project for Borough's Loop Trail –
  - Blazes should be ordered in June
  - Southborough has about 9.5 miles that need to be marked, 250 blazes to be set at every 8<sup>th</sup> of a mile (with some exceptions)
  - Committee to reach out and inquire with Girl Scouts about helping with the project
4. Website Update –
  - Facebook posts about Eagle scout projects appear to get more attention than other posts
  - Website migration is in the works
5. Trails video project - Luisa to talk with Trevor from SAM
  - a. Idea proposed to include interview with MWRA/DCR representatives – highlighting their role in getting projects done
6. Mowing needs to be done on trails – ETA mid-July
7. Suggestion to promote "Adopt a trail" mechanism to get volunteers to assist with mowing earlier in the year to make the trails more walkable for a longer period of time
8. An idea was proposed to develop the small area off White Bagley road with picnic table, parking space. DCR to be looped in as it is their property.
9. Work to generate a brief presentation to describe the committee, it might include:

- A history of accomplishments
  - Future projects and possibilities
  - How can we leverage the video project
10. Educate trail users about trails safety –poison ivy, ticks – through web site and Facebook
  11. Trails promotion – work with other town committees, organizations, and volunteers to promote Southborough Trails; add links to website & facebook
    - a. Write up an article in Community Advocate and the Villager
  12. Boy Scout process doc – Kat to share with the committee

Next Meeting – Tuesday, July 17, 2018

Meeting Adjourned at 7:45 PM