



Town of Essex

Conservation & Trails Committee

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AGENDA

Tuesday, September 10, 2024 – 6:30 PM
81 Main St., Essex Junction, VT 05452

This meeting will be in person and online. Available options to watch or join the meeting:

• **JOIN ONLINE:** [Zoom Meeting ID: 880 7499 5383 | Passcode: 802548](#)

• **JOIN CALLING:** (*toll free audio only*): (888) 788-0099 | Meeting ID: 862 6325 0094; Passcode: 544047

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1. **CALL TO ORDER** 6:30 PM
2. **AGENDA ADDITIONS/CHANGES**
3. **PUBLIC TO BE HEARD**
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - a. Approve minutes from August 13, 2024.
5. **POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS**
 - a. Approve Indian Brook Fall Clean-up Date
 - b. Advise on Planning Commission development applications
 - c. Action on advisory on trail relocation in Mattheu Forest - Duane and Betsy
 - d. Ratify changes to Tree Nursery MOU - Steve
 - e. Approve budget recommendatinos for tree removal planting FY26 - Steve
 - f. Riverside Boat Access - update and approve next steps - Shannon
 - g. Dicuss Conservation Fund Policy and Approve Conservation Fund Application Form
 - h. Potential Action on Indian Brook parking area clearing - Betsy
 - i. Approve Advisory to reinstate Trail Caretakers Program - Duane
 - j. Discuss and approve revised committee mission statement - Ken
 - k. Action on the EMS Project proposal - Chuck and Betsy
6. **UPDATES AND REPORTS**
 - a. Act 171 outreach needs and suggestions - Kent, Morgan and Paul
 - b. Report on Sand Hill Park/Mattheu Forest trail issue - Ken
 - c. Indian Brook Trail grant - Kent
 - d. Report on Committee Chair meeting with Selectboard Chair
 - e. Footpath Newtork Map in Town Plan - Kent and Ken
 - f. Update on Town Tree Policy - Steve and Morgan
 - g. VT Urban Community Forest Program Tree Planing Grant Applicaiton for January - April
 - h. Update on development landscaping zoning regulations - Betsy
 - i. Tree City Costs spreadsheet and staff expenditure update - Shannon and Kent
7. **READING FILE AND COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS**
 - a. 2025 Work Plan
 - b. FPR-VT-Town-Forest-trail-design-guide
 - c. Recommended Trail Standards _ Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation
 - d. Welcome to the Agrihood!
8. **ADJOURN**