Williamsburg Woodland Trails Committee

Minutes of 4/14/2010 meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by John Hoogstraten. Also present were Diane Merritt, Gwen Blodgett, Eileen Keegan, Hannah Gyovai, Paul Jahnige, and Susan Milsom. There was a visitor, Steve Krasofski.

Minutes of the March meeting were read and approved.

Members reported on their surveys of town trails. SM said that two large limbs were crossing the Briar Hill trail; due to recent heavy rain, it was wet and muddy above the stream crossing, but the wooden bridges were OK. GB has taken down old blazes and signs in the Hall/O'Neil area. She has resupplied maps, and plans to work on drainage ditches. EK said that there are three or four limbs that need to be removed on the Breckenridge trails. The stream crossing there remains a problem area. JH checked on the Graves Farm area, and removed small branches. PJ said that one or two limbs require a chainsaw on the summit trail of Petticoat Hill and Locke's Loop. DM will survey the Bradley trails soon. She and JH will each do some chainsaw work that needs to be done.

Members noted a recent article in the Gazette about the Four Town Trail Initiative. The article will be posted on the WWT website.

Steve Krasofski brought to the committee's attention several changes that might be made on trail maps and directions to trails.

The spring wildflower walk April 11, led by Aimee Gelinas, went well. About 16 people attended, and the weather cooperated. Walkers were able to see early wildflowers.

Members discussed the possibility of a future hike focusing on birds or forestry.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Submitted by Susan Milsom