



Proposed Agenda
Monday 12 September 2005, 7:00 P.M
New Saco Parks and Rec Community Center
(Formerly known as Saco Armory)

Directions: Exit Maine Turnpike at Saco, exit 36. Turn RIGHT immediately after the toll plaza. At the end of the ramp, turn LEFT at the light onto Industrial Park Road. At the next light turn LEFT onto Rt. 112 toward downtown Saco. In ¼ mile turn RIGHT onto Franklin St. just beyond the playground. Community Center is on your LEFT in ¼ mile, on the far side of a large parking area.

1. Welcome and introductions. 5 minutes
2. Designate, Timekeeper & Process Monitor. 1 min.
3. Approve 8 August Minutes – Bob LaNigra 5 Min
4. Approve Financial report – Bob Hamblen - 5 min
5. 8 Lighthouse Ride Status – Bob Bowker
6. Move that ETA endorse equestrian access to all portions of the Eastern Trail. - John
7. ETMD update. Tom, John - 5 min
8. Old Business
 - Working session to define ETA's new Membership Committee. Paul
 - More information & brainstorming about ETA contra dance opportunities. John
9. New business. 5 min
 - Brainstorming: How do we coordinate and support new volunteers?
10. Adjournment target: 8:30 P.M.

Note: ETA Visioning Exercise will be held in October as Paul Revier focuses on PR for the 8-Lighthouse Ride.

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**Eastern Trail Alliance
Meeting Minutes Aug. 8, 2005**

Attendees:

Trustees: John Andrews, Bob LaNigra, Ethan Davis, Tom Daley and Bob Hamblen

1. Welcome:

* John Andrews called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

2. Designate, Timekeeper and Process Monitor :

* Bob H. was designated as timekeeper/process monitor.

3. Approval of Minutes of July 11, 2005 Meeting:

* Previous minutes were approved by all trustees.

4. Treasurer's Report:

* Treasurer's report for July 2005 was approved.

5. ETA Visioning Exercise:

* Paul Revier was not available at the meeting. Will be discussed at a future meeting.

6. Critique Jupiter Blues Fundraising Social, July 30:

* Overall the fundraising was a success with about \$600 donated to the ETA. Things to consider for next year; the acoustics were not very conducive to a jazz ensemble and pizza did not sell. Approx. 30 people were turned away from the event, inadvertently, because they were not members of the club. We should consider finding another location. Popcorn sales were brisk as well as the 50/50 raffle. Most of those attending were local residents and not visitors.

7. 8 Lighthouse Ride Status:

* Brochures are now ready and will be distributed by all trustees. Bob said 8 people have already signed up for the ride. All is set for another successful ride.

* Tom D. will investigate whether we can use Camp Ketcha's facilities as a rest stop during the event.

8. Move that ETA Sponsor a Contra Dance Fundraiser:

* Ethan suggested that we attend a dance first, this fall, to observe and then decide if we would like to get involved. If we decide to become involved, the event would be held in Feb. or March. All agreed.

9. Role in 2006 TREK ?

* Bob L. sent an email to Bob Verrill, Director of the TREK Across Maine, to inquire whether we could

give a presentation on Friday or Saturday night during the TREK weekend, June 2006. Bob will follow-up and report at the next meeting.

10. ETMD Update:

* No update. The July meeting was cancelled.

11. Election of One ETMD Trustee:

* Bob L. will serve as an alternate ETMD trustee.

12. Old Business:

* No old business.

13. New Business:

* Discussion ensued about the status of easements along the trails from the Berwicks to Saco.

* Bob H. suggested that the ETA write a letter to the ETMD requesting an update on the easements for the trails owned by Granite State Pipeline. John will write the letter to the ETMD.

14. Adjournment:

* Meeting ended at 8:29 PM.

Submitted by: R.M. LaNigra—Secretary, Dated Aug 28, 2005

Next meeting is scheduled for Sept. 12, 2005 at the Saco Parks and Rec. Bldg. on Franklin St.