



Proposed Agenda

Monday 10 October 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 12 September Minutes – Bob LaNigra 5 Min
4. Approve Financial report – Bob Hamblen - 5 min
5. 8 Lighthouse Ride Comments. How do even better in 2006 – Bob Bowker, all
6. Motion: *“The Alliance endorses the 2006 State Transportation Bond.”* - John
7. ETMD update. Tom, Bob L., John - 5 min
 - Meeting with ETMD President Stephen Huntress – John
 - New Trustee from the retail bike community.
 - ET Maintenance and Operation Funding.
8. Where does ETA want to be in 5 years? Visioning - Paul 30 minutes
9. Old Business
 - Motion: *“The Eastern Trail Alliance encourages landowners and other user groups to support non-commercial equestrian enjoyment of the Eastern Trail.”*
 - Working session to define ETA’s new Membership Committee. Paul
10. New business. 5 min
 - Brainstorming: How do we coordinate and support new volunteers?
11. Adjournment target: 8:30 P.M.

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**Eastern Trail Alliance
Meeting Minutes Sept. 12, 2005**

Attendees:

Trustees: John Andrews, Bob LaNigra, Ethan Davis, Bob Bowker and Bruce Wakefield

1. Welcome:

* John Andrews called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m.

2. Designate, Timekeeper and Process Monitor :

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

3. Approval of Minutes of Aug. 8, 2005 Meeting:

* Previous minutes were approved by all trustees.

4. Treasurer's Report:

* Treasurer's report for Aug. 2005 will be discussed at the next meeting when Bob H. is present.

5. 8 Lighthouse Ride Status:

* Ride was a success, in spite of the weather, with 78 (as of the September meeting) people registered. Each year the numbers should increase as the ride becomes more popular. Bob B. and his volunteers did a great job on the event.

6. Move that ETA Endorse Equestrian Access to All Portions of the Eastern Trail:

* A motion was proposed by Ethan and deferred until the next meeting. John will write a motion for review that will state the ETA will work toward equestrian access for all portions of the trail.

7. ETMD Update:

* No update. There was no Aug. meeting.

8. Old Business:

* Contra Dance—the closest dance is N. Yarmouth, which, as Ethan stated, would draw people from an area that is not near the Eastern Trail. The event sponsor stated that they could increase the entry fee for one dance and donate the increased portion to the ETA. We could set up a table and/or give a 10 minute slide presentation at the dance. We will discuss the Jan. 14 dance at the next meeting and look for a volunteer to attend the dance.

9. New Business:

* Discussion ensued about a complaint from a Scarborough trail user that confronted a horse back rider because horse droppings were left on the trail. The trail user wanted to have the rider arrested for violating Animal Waste Ordinances. The ETA will take a position to support horses on the trail. This will have to be discussed in more detail at the next ETMD meeting.

* Questions were suggested for the next ETMD meeting: We need a clear definition of who can use the trails and what is allowed. E.g., snow mobiles, horses, how to handle droppings, etc. What is the status of signs along the trails? How can we handle the overflow parking problems at the new Scarb. bridge? Additional parking at Peterson Field or Blue Point School, especially during the weekend.

* Membership forms will need to be changed to reflect the new membership increase from \$15 to \$25. Family charge will be \$35.

14. Adjournment:

* Meeting ended at 8:30 PM.

Submitted by: R.M. LaNigra—Secretary, Dated Oct. 4, 2005

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