



Proposed Agenda
Monday 13 December 2004, 7:00 P.M
New Saco Parks and Rec Building
(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. Armory is on your LEFT in ¼ mile, on the far side of the 2nd military building.

1. Welcome and introductions. 5 minutes
2. Designate, Timekeeper & Process Monitor. 1 min.
3. Correspondence. 5 min.
4. Approve November Minutes – Bob LaNigra 5 Min
5. Approve October Financial reports – 5 min
6. Proposed 2005 Budget. John
7. Vision and goals for 2005
8. ETMD update. John, Tom - 5 min
9. Scarborough Marsh Experiences - Tom
10. Thanks to Diane Doyle. John
11. New business. 5 min
12. Adjournment target: 8:30 P.M.

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**Eastern Trail Alliance
Meeting Minutes Nov. 8, 2004**

Attendees: John Andrews, Bob LaNigra, Bruce Wakefield, Tom Daley, Pam Partow, Bob Bowker, Helen McCain, Bob Hamblen

1. Welcome:

* John Andrews called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

2. Designate:

* Pam was appointed the meeting timekeeper.

3. Correspondence:

* John Andrews distributed a membership survey form, a letter from Maine Conservation Organization, and information on a seminar sponsored by ME Toxic Act.

4. Approval of Minutes of Oct. 11, 2004 Meeting:

* Minutes were approved by all trustees present.

5. Treasurer's Report Sept. and 3rd Qtr. Report :

* Treasurer's financial reports were approved for Sept. 2004 and the 3rd Qtr.

6. Proposed 2005 Budget:

* Budget was reviewed, several changes made and approved by all present.

7. ETA Endorse 2005 Trails for a Health Maine Bond:

* John distributed a letter with the current best estimates of the cost to build the five ME shared use inter-municipal trails and it stated that it will take 46 more years (46 million dollars) with the current proposed state and federal funding. The bond proposal was supported and approved by all trustees.

8. Corporate Sponsors:

* Helen and John gave a short talk about a seminar they attended on fund raising, which stated that organizations should ask businesses for financial support. We decided that we should start asking local businesses, like Shaws, Poland Springs, Hannaford, etc. for support. This will be discussed in more detail at subsequent meetings.

9. Eastern-Trail-a-Thon 8 Lighthouse Planning for 2005:

- * Bob Bowker said he will schedule a meeting and is looking for a corp. sponsor for next year's event.

10. Help Needed to Set-up and Paint New ETA Office:

- * John will notify us via email when help is needed to move the old office and paint the new office space in the Saco Armory.

11. ETMD Update:

- * The Scarborough Marsh bridge dedication will be held Nov. 14.
- * The next section of the ETA to be built will be opposite the Marsh bridge from Pine Point Rd. to Cascade Road. Bids will go out shortly.
- * Discussed right of way agreement along the Scarb. Marsh trail near the pumping station and whether to put an electric gate or swing gate there. Also talked about the DeFosses agreement/easement

12. New Business:

- * Discussed the possibility of a dues increase and how many brochures we currently have in stock. Will get a count for next meeting and will discuss further.

13. Adjournment:

- * Meeting ended at 8:37 P.M.

Next meeting Monday Dec. 13, 2004 at 7:00 P.M. Meeting place will be new location at the Saco Armory, on Franklin St. in Saco. Franklin St. is off of North St., which is Route 112.

Submitted by: R.M. LaNigra—Secretary, Dated Dec. 12, 2004