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**Minutes of Meeting
September 7, 2023**

Item 1: Call To Order

The QRLTAC was called to order at 7:02

Item 2: Guests and New Members

Charles Esslinger, Guest

Item 3: Approve & Accept Minutes from May 4, 2023

Motion: Sally; **Seconded:** Jonathan **Motion:** Passed

Item 4: Co-Chairs Announcements

Cathy spoke to Park & Rec about the dog waste on the trail. Kenny Michaels is working to get the disposable trash bags, John Sullivan noted there were no trash cans, those had been removed, he is trying to locate them. Public Works shortages are causing some backup with maintenance.

The fundraising bench is on order and will be installed by mile marker 0.4. This might spur purchase of additional ones. Additional bricks were sold, as were kiosk donation plaques.

Celebrate Wallingford is October 7 & 8, sign-up sheet was circulated.

The Trail Clean up is going to be October 15th, rain date of 22nd. Projects include putting weed barrier on the round gardens, wood chips on the side trails, pruning, stone dust on labyrinth.

The Linear Trail Holiday Celebration will include the usual horse & carriage rides. The event will run for 1pm to 3:30 to allow an earlier breakdown before dusk. Costumed Christmas characters will be supplied by a local theatre group.

Mary got the request approved and released to the town for \$695K for Fireworks Island Bridge construction.

DEEP trails coordinator decided on the final report and request or reimbursement for the Previous grant for design & permitting. DEEP will reimburse everything except the 3rd insurance payment because they can't change a federally funded grant. However, DEEP can use unspent bond fund to cover that 3rd insurance payments in the future. DEEP will issue a check within the next week.

Community Foundation cancelled the QRLTAC sign & bench grant due to the end of the time period, but we can reapply in December '23 / January '24.

Item 5: Town Engineer Report

Not presented

Item 6: Sub-committee Reports

Treasurer's report

Corporate Operating: \$7,315.79

Construction \$12,291.43

Item 7: Public Q & A

None

Item 8: Other Business

Fred noted a potential QRLTAC connection to North Plains Industrial Highway, the survey maps are available at the Town Clerk's office.

Sheila note that 4-5 more trail benches remain to be cleaned and stained.

Item 9: Next Regular Meeting

Thursday, October 5, 2023

Item 10: Adjournment

The QRLTAC adjourned at 8:12 PM

Motion: Dave Bedell; **Seconded:** Jonathan; **Motion:** Passed