

Town of Putnam	
Trails Committee	
Conference Room #201	
Thursday, September 14 th 5:00 PM	
Join Zoom Meeting: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89113289797?pwd=cGJqeHBnK0lXMVlDOUdQTkpXeE1MUT09 Meeting ID: 891 1328 9797 Passcode: 9rNly6	
1. Roll Call	
2. Approval of Meeting Minutes*	i. May 11 th
3. New Business	
	i. Recreational Trails Grant
	ii. Little River Trail
	iii. New ideas
4. Old Business	
	i. Air Line Trail to Thompson
	ii. Air Line Trail to Pomfret
5. Updates	
6. Public Participation	
7. Adjournment*	

*Vote Required

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Meeting Minutes	
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Thursday, May 11 th 2023 5:00 PM	
https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83491181879?pwd=bHJRNVNPSTRmYlF6N2VlRy9pTkVTZz09 Meeting ID: 834 9118 1879 Passcode: J5etET	
	Meeting opened at 5:00 pm
1. Roll Call	Chairman Scott Moorehead, ECD Director Carly DeLuca; Trails Committee members: Angela Kneeland, Steve Faucher, Bruce Fitzback, Michael Rochetti, volunteer Lyann Graff of The Last Green Valley and Administrative Assistant Jackie Lefevre. Zoom Attendees: None
2. Approval of Meeting Minutes*	i. March 09: Motion by member Faucher to approve meeting minutes of March 09, 2023, seconded by member Kneeland, motion approved.
3. New Business	i. Recreational Trails Grant: No official award has been received to date; however, several questions have been received on the application. These questions typically indicate a positive outcome. Application is for a \$ 1.2 million grant in support of the Putnam- Thompson Air Line trail connection. ii. Meeting with DOT: Member Fitzback shared a meeting that occurred with Scott Bushey, engineer with State DOT, who has trail planning experience. The meeting included ideas such as the importance of parking lots relating to Trails, portable stainless-steel toilets, compost toilets, having EV charging stations in parking areas. A meeting is scheduled with Jim Larkin of NE Council of Governments (NECOG) on May 23 rd to further discuss options. It would be to the Town's advantage if a partnership was established with DOT to assist with grants, access to property and contact the railroad. Little River Trail: commonly known as the Fitness Trail located behind the Putnam Middle School. Member Rochetti shared there is a section of the trail, at a point, where there is a steep section leading down to the river. A tree was uprooted and has taken out part of the river's edge. He shared a pic on his phone of the area and will provide a copy to the Director.

4. Old Business	
	i. Air Line Trail to Thompson: Member Fitzback shared he recently had a conversation with buyer of 2 Furnace St. Member Fitzback shared with the buyer the 2 Furnace Street property abuts the railroad access where the trail connection is planned to be located. The buyer is willing to assist with access for the trail.
	ii. Air Line Trail to Pomfret: Plans, as provided by Weston & Sampson, were reviewed. The discussion focus was on the area across the Henry Breault footbridge, at the steep sloped area of trail. ADA compliant ramp options were reviewed and discussed.
5. Updates	i. ALTSP: Director shared 4 potential logos, that were emailed to her, to assist in marketing the trail. Two demonstrated animals/two demonstrated people. Progress report update via email was discussed. ii. Spring Clean Up: Areas in need of spring clean-up were identified and discussed. Member Faucher shared Modock/River Roads area. He added he has contacted the State about whether or not the Lions' Club could assist with clean-ups. To date, he has not received an answer.
6. Public Participation	None
7. Adjournment*	Member Kneeland motioned to adjourn, seconded by member Faucher, motion passed. Meeting ended at 5:48pm

Vote Require*

You are invited to a

PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

STATE PROJECT NO. 111-126
FEDERAL AID PROJECT NO. PEDS (230)

**AIR LINE TRAIL RECONSTRUCTION
AND ACCESSIBILITY IMPROVEMENTS**

POMFRET & PUTNAM, CONNECTICUT

**TO BE HELD SEPTEMBER 21, 2023, 6:00pm,
Putnam Municipal Complex – Conference Room 109
200 School Street, Putnam, CT 06260**

Residents, business owners, commuters, trail-users and other interested individuals are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity to discuss this project in Pomfret and Putnam.

**PLEASE JOIN US IN-PERSON ON
SEPTEMBER 21, 2023, @ 6PM
OR AT ZOOM LINK BELOW**

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88116645123>

Meeting ID: 881 1664 5123

Documents and Plans for the project can be found at the links below:

[Putnam Trails Committee - Town of Putnam \(putnamct.us\)](#)

and

[Pomfret CT |](#)

The Putnam Municipal Complex facility is ADA accessible. Anyone interested in providing input or requiring language assistance may do so by contacting Elaine Sistare at 860-963-6800 x113 or Denise Geeza at 860-963-6800 x100. Requests should be made at least 5 business days prior to the meeting. Language assistance is provided at no cost to the public and efforts will be made to respond to timely requests for assistance.

There will be a 14-day comment period following the meeting, individuals may leave a question or comment by emailing Project Manager, Michael J. Joyce, P.E at joyce.michael@wseinc.com