Massachusetts Recreational Trails Advisory Committee MINUTES January 15, 2019

Location: Conference Call **Time:** 7pm to 8pm

Members Present with Representation:

Larry Tucker - Snowmobiles
Bill Boles - Mountain Biking
Aaron North - Hiking (Alternate)
Charlene Saulnier - Dog Walking
Dick O'Brien - Community Trails
Ben Phelps - ATV
Becky Kalagher - Equestrian
Dick Williamson - Bicycling
Marianne Iarossi - Municipal Trail Planners
Tim Craig - Youth Corps
Mike White - 4-Wheel Drive Vehicles
Tom Chamberland - Local Land Trust/Non-Profits
Joe Geller - Rail Trail Users

Liaisons

Amanda Lewis - DCR Christine Chisholm – Massachusetts Fish and Game Scott Morrill – EEA

Meeting Minutes:

Welcome

Approve Previous Minutes

Meeting Minutes from 10/23/18 Approved

RTP/MassTrails Update

The deadline for submitting grant proposals online is February 1st at 5pm. Twelve projects have been submitted so far but the expectation is that we will see well over 100 applications total this year. MARTAB was asked to spread the word about the deadline and direct any questions to Amanda.

RTP/MassTrails Rubric Discussion

The rubric for the RTP grant review has been drafted by Amanda and Paul, based on the MassTrails criteria but focused on Recreational Trails Program priorities and requirements.

A review of the rubric and the weighted points for each criterion was discussed and finalized. Amanda will provide a final draft to MARTAB within a week. Further discussions will take place at the June MARTAB meeting, after this grant round is complete, to identify issues and changes to this rubric going forward.

Meeting Adjourned