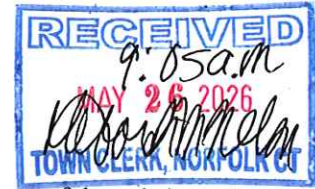


TOWN OF NORFOLK
Rails to Trails Committee
Mission



“To develop a multiple use handicapped accessible trail through Norfolk utilizing parts of the existing railroad bed.”

Meeting: Thursday, April 9, 2026

Meeting held at the Norfolk Town Hall

Committee Members Present: Bob Gilchrest, Michelle Childs, Dave Beers, John Anderson, Justin Bishop, Gary Schef, West Lowe, Erick Olsen, & Matt Riiska

Meeting Called to Order: 6:02 PM

Minutes:

Minutes for February 12, 2026, Motion to accept: WL, 2nd JA, Passed: Unanimous

Treasurer's Report:

No Report

Account Balance \$50,219.80

North Brook Trail Update

Bid packages for the North Brook Trail have been posted in the Hartford Courant. Cost of the ad is \$300.00
The firms that requested bid packages are Yield Construction, Conte Company, Hawley Landscaping, Gerber Construction, Deacon Excavating. & Guerrero Construction.

Bids due April 22, 2026

Bid Opening: May 7, 2026. A Special Meeting will be called for opening the bids.

We will follow up with the farmer who has been using the church's field to inform him of our plans.
We will draft a letter to the abutting landowners and will be sent out prior to the start of construction.

2025 CT Recreational Trail Grant

No update from the State.

North Brook Trail Promotion/Fundraising

Need to set a date for a “groundbreaking ceremony”.

Need to invite state representatives, DEEP representatives, & municipal officials

Work on creating a letter for fund raising.

New Business

Date set for the “Tour de Forest”; Saturday, October 17, 2026

Motion to set date: DB, 2nd EO, Passed: Unanimous

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:02 PM. Motion EO, Second MR

Next meeting will be Thursday, May 7, 2026

Respectfully Submitted

Matt Riiska

Matt Riiska, Secretary