Readfield Trail Agreements /Trail Easements Acceptance Policy

Before the Readfield Select Board accepts any trail agreement /trail easement from the Trails Committee, the Trails Committee must ensure that the following conditions have been met regarding each proposal coming from the Trails Committee.

- 1. That a private property owner has been engaged in discussions in a cordial, supportive, and cooperative manner regarding the potential trail agreement / trail easement.
- 2. That provisions have been made to maintain safe access to and from the use of trails over or on private property for the length of the trail agreement / trail easement.
- 3. That private property owners have been encouraged to provide public access and / or use of private property that is conducive to recreational trail use by working cooperatively with the town on trail agreements / trail easements before acceptance by the Select Board.
- 4. That conditions / locations / restrictions etc. regarding parking, if applicable, related to any trail agreement / trail easement have been finalized.

Board Criteria

Criteria for the Select Board to use when reviewing / accepting Readfield trail agreements / trail easements with private property owners or public entities.

- a. That the four conditions listed above have been successfully met:
- b. That the trail enhances the current trail system already in place throughout the town:
- c. That the Trails Committee, by a formal vote, has approved the proposed trail agreement / trail easement:
- d. That a member of the Trails Committee has made a presentation to the Select Board regarding the trail agreement / trail easement:
- e. That a signed agreement between the Trails Committee and the landowner has been submitted with the trail agreement / trail easement request for approval to the Select Board:
- f. The Trails Committee will track the time frame of all trail agreements / trail easements.
- g. If property is sold, the Trails Committee will contact the new owner and discuss the trail agreement in a cordial, supportive, and cooperative manner to see if the land owner wishes to continue with the agreement and, if so, for what length of time.

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