

HARDWICK TRAILS COMMITTEE MEETING  
Minutes

Monday, April 3, 2023  
5:30 pm meeting

In attendance: Norma S, Ron and Norma W, Dave M, Helen B, Lenore and Wayne R, Alison B, Julia P, Nancy S

1. Welcome

2. Adopt/Amend Minutes of February 6 and March 6 Meetings

- Both approved unanimously

3. Additions to the agenda

4. Updates:

a. Trail conditions –icy

b. Billings Road Trail Access/Parking Project–Dave M will attend next HED mtg

d. Kiosk Efforts

- Max and HS students are well underway
- Draft out plans and supply list
- Go with timber frame design
- Will approach Poulin for donations
- May take the rest of this school year
- Rot issues?
  - Very wet area
  - Granite base?
- Need graphic design input?
- More descriptive signs?
- Workday at trailhead? Late June?

e. Adaptive Sports special event planning effort (Emily Varvir)

- Handicap accessible trail?
- Want to start a regular program at LVRT and Hardwick Trails
- Something for Memorial Day festivities?
- Booth at Atkins field?

f. Coin drop in July, need to sign up for next year

g. Conservation Committee Fox Paw event

- Lots of participants
- Cold and icy, but a good group
- 

h. snow dog is officially for sale, Dave will put on Facebook and Craigslist

5. Financials: Norma Spaulding ()

- We've spent a lot of money
- Way over on repairs
- May have to take funds out of capital fund

- \$9,185 approved at Town Meeting
  - \$1296 less than Select board approved...oops
- Kiosk funds? Out of grant \$ or capital fund?
- 20 year celebration this summer?!?

6. ~~Preparation/work plan for LVRT/Hardwick Trails connector~~

7. Trail expansion opportunity/planning (& Northern Forest Grant update)

- Nancy met with Andrew M (abutting land owner), he's open to trail expansion
- NF grant will still be an option later, we need to be ready

8. Other business

- Tractor service needed, last service was several years ago
- Need a new grill and grill guard (approx. \$1500)
- Tractor is getting old and parts are harder to get, may need to plan for replacement?
- Should we wait to pay for service after July 1?
- Update website...
  - need to post minutes and annual report
  - Town website help?
  - Contact Maya?

9. Adjourn 6:28

Next meeting May 1, 2023