

# HARDWICK TRAILS COMMITTEE MEETING

## AGENDA

Monday, December 5, 2022

5:30 pm meeting - email [hardwicktrails@gmail.com](mailto:hardwicktrails@gmail.com) for an invite  
VIRTUAL Format

In attendance: Ron & Norma W, Helen B, Wayne & Lenore R, Nancy S, Jodi W , Alison B, John T, Norma S, Julia P , Eric R, Jason B, Dave M, Cate G

1. Welcome Jodi White & Julia Pringle
2. Adopt/Amend Minutes of November Meeting
  - a. Approved unanimously
3. Additions to the agenda
4. Updates:
  - a. Trail conditions
    - Looking good—a little wet
    - 2 loads of wood chips—one load spread at trailhead
    - Dead skidder on Green trail still dead (will move this week)
  - b. Hazen Union Middle/HS X-Country Ski Team
    - 5 students practicing Mon and Friday
  - c. Grooming Equipment: Condition & Purchase
    - Have ordered new Ginzu groomer
    - Check is ready
    - Need to get it delivered (costs \$250)
  - d. LVRT
    - Regional and Hardwick LVRT meeting is tomorrow
    - Almost finished “Black” bridge decking and abutments
    - Top coat applied from N Main to Black bridge
5. Wolcott Forest stewardship committee - Cate Garvey
  - a. Wolcott is acquiring ~ 724 acres
  - b. Management questions...
    - Old MOU is our management plan
    - Funded through town budget
    - Donations go to capital fund which is managed by town
    - Only one employee
    - Machinery owned by town
    - Partially privately-owned land under VT Land Trust

6. Trail access and parking on Billings Road
  - a. Committee approves further pursuing—start with HED
  - b. Dave M will contact Mike S
  
7. Financials: Norma Spaulding
  - a. Finalize Budget
    - We approved new budget
    - 8.7% increase
    - Should double fuel line item increased to \$1000
    - Keep Programs line item at \$1500
  - b. Confirm Select Board presentation...Norma S will take to Select Bd
  
8. Map Replication Plans
  - a. Dave M and Helen B will figure this out
  
9. Winter Planning/Program Proposal...no REACH, nothing planned yet
  - a. Program Proposal
    - Thursday afternoon program
    - Dare to Be Me program needs to be coordinated with
    - Some instruction
    - Cabin as base
    - Can Rec committee help?
      1. Administrative help
      2. \$ help
      3. Jason B will take to Rec committee for approval
      4. School-based?
      5. Will meet next week
      6. JB made school principals aware of program
      7. Need volunteers
  - b. Equipment Needs
    - To have 4 complete sets per size we need at least 7 more sets (~\$1900)
    - Hazen Shop teacher will work with students and committee to create better storage options
  - c. Hazen ski team coaches may be available for Saturday morning cabin
  
10. Other business
  
11. Adjourn 6:42

Next meeting January 2, 2023