

# HARDWICK TRAILS COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, July 12, 5:30 pm

Trails Cabin

In attendance: Norma S, Helen B, Kelly R, Eric R, Norma and Ron W, Wayne R, Kat and Dave M

1. Amend/adopt minutes of June 28
  - Amended minutes to clarify attendees and Story Walk info
  - Unanimously approved with changes noted
2. Finalize Agenda Items
  - Added kiosk replacement, cabin propane/heater issues to Other Business and Poetry Walk news to Updates
3. Updates:
  - a. Poetry Walk:
    - posted new student-composed poetry
    - Norma W will publicize via Gazette
  - b. Coin Drop
    - Raised almost \$1300!!
  - c. Signage
    - New single-track signage going up slowly
    - Eric R will design and make new ski trail signage
  - d. Earth Movers progress
    - Eric reported Lucas from COC won't be available for a few weeks
    - Culverts needed...town may have some
    - Still seeking trail designer for new flow trail on HED land. Eric pursuing this.
    - Need to file first quarterly grant expenditure report...no funds spent so far. Dave agreed to be point person for this.
  - e. Bottle Drive
    - HRTC will get September as our "month"
    - M & M is only donation box still open
4. Google Calendar proposal
  - Dave M will create and share
5. MOU review & discussion

1. Helen, Ron, and Todd D met to draft new MOU
  2. Much discussion (e.g. separate vs combined MOU(s)). Reinforced that MOU draft is a starting point for co-creation/dialogue with stakeholders. Next step: Meeting with Hazen principal, head of School Board & Tod. Helen will schedule.
  3. Will seek legal advice before finalization
6. Forestry Stewardship Plan discussion
- Pursue Forestry Stewardship Plan as partnership between town (we could initiate) and HU to provide 10 year plan as touchstone for decision making. Will pursue potential expert (combination of forestry and recreational land use) to develop proposal.
  - Determine who is responsible for forest surrounding trails
  - Will keep Shepard Land MOU separate
7. Larry Michael's dedication planning
- Scheduled for August 28
  - Will need signs
  - Lenore and Kelly will work on signage
8. Other Business
- Kiosk Replacement: will postpone until Hazen finishes upper parking lot renovations
  - Cabin Heater: not working...Dave M will investigate and report out
  - Dehumidifier: cabin is getting smelly, Ron W will fire up dehumidifier
9. Adjourn 6:45

Next meeting August 2, 5:30 at cabin

Respectfully submitted by D. Mitchell