

HARDWICK TRAILS COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes

Monday, July 17, 2023

5:30 pm meeting - email hardwicktrails@gmail.com for an invite

Location: 708 Bridgman Hill Road

In attendance: Norma S, Helen B, Al & Nancy S, Lenore & Wayne R, Norma & Ron W, Dave M, Bev S, Eric R

1. Welcome
2. Adopt/Amend Minutes of June Meeting—approved unanimously
3. Additions to the agenda—none
4. Updates:
 - a. Billings Road Trail Access/Parking Project
 - NS met with VT Land Trust, verbally approved parking idea
 - Need to “engage” town in process, esp. Concerning liability issues at parking area
 - b. Kiosk Efforts
 - No news from Hazen
 - NW will try again to connect with graphic designer for kiosk poster and stickers(?)
 - c. Adaptive Sports programming
 - Due to closure of LVRT, may take to Hardwick Trails with mountain bikes
 - d. Coin drop
 - Raised \$1221
5. Financials: Norma Spaulding
 - Ended FY 2023 \$76 in black!
 - Capital fund ~\$17000
 - \$520 from capital fund for kiosk materials
6. Food Damage Mitigation Plan*
 - Agreed to use Northern Forest Grant funds to repair trails
 - Agreed to approach Dan Hale to hire to assess and fix trail damage
7. Northern Forest Grant expenditure by September 1
 - ~\$5000 left must be spent by 9/31/23...see item #6
8. 20th Anniversary Celebration Planning
 - Much planning for 9/9/23 proposed date

- Will meet again in August to finalize details

9. MOU renewal issue

- Expired 7/1/23
- NS will approach VT Land Trust to update at the same time as we apply for parking area permit

10. Other business

- DM will contact Jason B about trail tools used during J-Term work

11. Adjourn 6:55

Next meeting August 7, 2023

*We have a big washout at the bottom of the Sugar Road at Hazen; Approximately 6 culverts are blocked and the trail is over-topped by stream on the Blue/Shepard's Trail; Numerous places on the ski trails need minor work.