

HARDWICK TRAILS COMMITTEE MEETING

AGENDA

Monday, October 2, 2023

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

Location: Log Cabin - Hazen Union

1. Welcome
2. Adopt/Amend Minutes of September Meeting
 - Norma made motion to accept, Lenore Seconded, Passed unanimously
3. Celebration of 20th Anniversary event - long distance thank you to Nancy and All!
 - Many ripples/good will
 - Thank you card to Michael Clark & Alicia - Helen
 - Thank you to Judy Geer & Dick Drisengacker - Helen
4. Updates:
 - a. Kiosk Efforts
 - Helen to contact Maxfield to assess timing of installation
 - b. Adaptive Sports programming
5. Financials: Norma Spaulding (cost of trail repair?)
 - Cost of Pumpkin Walk approximately \$1700 this year (unanticipated higher cost for pumpkins & donuts).
 - Selling t-shirt/hat inventory discussion - Helen will sell at Craft Fair & possibly at Pumpkin Walk (\$20 per shirt)
 - Craftsbury Outdoor Center - donated 80 hours of the equipment operator (aprox. \$3,000 value).
 - Cost of culverts largely covered by grant -
 - Programming will exceed budget. Solutions: 1) talk to Rec. Committee (Helen), 2) pursue Green Mtn Fund grant, 3) solicit donations local banks/businesses
 - Norma asked for more committee involvement in budgeting process. Helen will attend Select Board meeting with Norma this year.
6. Pumpkin Walk Planning
 - a. Sunday schedule/tasks (donuts & cider table, bonfire, pumpkin placing/lighting, signage, honoraria)
 - Pumpkins put out on trails at 3:00 & lit at 5:15. 2 community volunteers, our committee (& soccer team may help). Will ask Rec committee if they might have time to help (Helen)
 - John Tuthill taking care of donuts (Co-op)

- Lenore taking care of cider
- Wayne taking care on bonfire - will get permit
- Norma S. & Lenore in charge of food table & Lisa (Helen will share Norma's list)
- Helen has honoraria & will contact James Lockhart about carving a large pumpkin
- Ron/Norma/Lenore - publicity via FPF & Facebook & 2 sandwich boards
- Ron circulated schedule for pumpkin pick-up/drop off additional help
- Thank you (once again) to Ron for all the pumpkin coordination!!

7. Ski Program Planning (ski purchase?)

- Helen will talk with Rec committee about the ski program budget (purchase of skis, instructor stipends, instructor recruitment). Need to order skis now (awaiting annual grant from Prevot's).
- Helen will talk with Prevot's about accessing their network for recruitment ideas

8. Adjourn

- The meeting adjourned at 6:25

Next meeting November 6, 2023