

HARDWICK TRAILS COMMITTEE MEETING

AGENDA

Monday, November 4, 2024
Forestry Program Classroom

In attendance: Corey H, Wayne R, Dave M, John T, Lauren H, Andy G, Norma & Ron W, Norma S

1) Welcome members (Lauren Honican)

2) Corey Hathaway introduction - Forestry Program

3) Adopt/Amend Minutes—adopted unanimously

4) Additions to the agenda

5) Updates:

Kiosk Installation

- looks great!
- Wood chips have been delivered (Thanks Wayne!)
- Metal roof and backboards coming (Eric will contact Maxfield)
- Move “Hardwick Trails” sign from cabin to new kiosk
- Need “you are here” map
- Need posts for upper parking lot (Helen will coordinate with Maxfield) ,
- Ron has another sign we can use up there

Nature Walks

- Geology walk was a success (15 or so participants)

Red Cross Bins - Helen is seeking an alternative spot for these - stay tuned

Adaptive Sports Partners Mapping (John Tuthill)

- Helen & John met with adaptive cycling group
- Meeting this Thursday (Nov 7) to map a possible adaptive-cycle-ready trail
- May need \$...will pursue grant funding

6) Trails Conditions: Wayne Renaud/Eric Remick (including grant funded work)

- Trails are in good shape
- Groomer needs tune-up
- Wayne worked on Green trail, needs stone (Eric will pursue)
- Dan H is not available, we need to spend grant \$
- May need to ask for grant extension
- Eric will talk with Casey

7) Financials: Norma Spaulding

- As of 10/31 we have approx. \$7200
- Capital fund = \$19666
- Increased program funding and signage
- Voted to reduce equipment repair to \$900
- Amended budget accepted unanimously
- Will be presented to Select board on Nov. 21

8) Single track on Shepard's Property: Dave Mitchell

- Steve B & Dave M have raked out potential trail
- Please check it out
- Will need committee approval
- Dave M will lead a group recon walk if people are interested

9) Winter ski program (see notes below)

- Forestry trail grooming assistance: Corey Hathaway & Eric Remick
- May need adult ski sets and hot-waxing station?
- Winter Ski Program Update (Helen): Potential instructors are being contacted to assess availability for this winter season. The Hardwick Trails skis being used by the Lakeview students will be distributed to those remaining at the school, and the balance will be returned to the cabin for use in our winter program. This will greatly enhance our inventory for children.

10) Thanks to Lenore & passing of the Facebook torch

- Lauren takes the torch!
- Will connect us to Instagram too!

11) Other

12) Head Home—adjourned at 6:29

Next meeting: Monday, December 9 5:00 @ GMTCC Forestry bldg