HARDWICK TRAILS COMMITTEE MEETING Minutes

Monday, May 5, 2025

5:00 PM GMTCC Classroom

In attendance: Norma S, Joe N, Andy G, Dave M, Corey H, Eric R, Wayne R, Ron & Norma W

- 1. Adopt April Minutes—approved unanimously
- 2. Updates:
 - a. Trail conditions:
 - still soft and wet in places
 - Couple of trees down on Two Bridges
 - Sugaring season is over (a good year!) all lines should be down and off the trails
 - b. VMBA membership follow-up (Dave M)
 - Not enough interested people to form a VMBA chapter
 - Will connect with other riders this week to discuss options, will report back in June
 - c. Vermont Trails & Greenway Council Membership (Eric R)--no news
- 3. Financials
 - Have spent ~80% of our annual budget that ends June 30
 - Still have ~\$22700 in capital fund
- 4. Summer Programming Discussion: Service Project Options? no news
- 4.5 Summer Events:
 - Birdwalks
 - 1st walk led by Dave Brown attended by over 25 people!
 - 2nd birdwalk this weekend led by Lucien Avery
 - 3rd walk led by students!!
 - Poetry Walk–new poems going up mid-June
 - Mushroom Walk

 –Joe N in mid-June?
- 5. Adaptive Report (John T)
 - Many places on the trails would need extensive work to make them adaptive-friendly.
 - Maybe make a brand new trail that is adaptive-friendly?
 - make double-track more interesting/inviting with short "offshoot" trails?
 - "Squiggle" trail around pumpkin walk area could be easily upgraded to adaptive-friendly
- 6. Endless Mountain Adventure Race Approval Eric
 - June 21-28, want to use trails for a leg of their race
 - Contestants will be streaming through trails on one of those days (most likely mid-week)
 - Questions about insurance, oversight, etc.
 - Eric will contact organizers and report back

- 7. New Single Track (Shepard's Land) Planning
 - Dave M and Steve B(?) will lead a walkthrough of proposed trail this spring (ASAP)!
- 8. Trail work day planning (date, publicity, leadership, workplan)
 - Meeting with Riverside Bike folks and other riders this week to discuss
 - Want to make sure trail building policy is followed
 - Will report back in June
- 9. LVRT Kiosk Completion Plan
 - should we take it off Maxfield's plate? Eric R will contact
- 10. Other Business
 - Trail map QR codes for trail kiosk-Dave M-will be ready next week
 - Billings Rd kiosk–Dave M and Wayne R will start once the rain stops
 - Act 250 amendment– Eric R–no news

11. Adjourn: 6:15

Next meeting on June 2, 2025 @ 5:00 at GMTCC bldg