

# **HARDWICK TRAILS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA**

**Monday, July 7, 2025  
5:00-7:00 PM**

**SHEPARD'S "CONFERENCE ROOM WITH A VIEW"  
708 Bridgman Hill Road**

In attendance: Joe N, Norma S, Wayne R, Helen B, Dave M, Eric R, Heather & Steve B, Nancy S, Al C, David S, Norma & Ron W

1. Welcome

2. Review/acceptance of June 2 Minutes—approved unanimously

3. Updates:

- Kiosks (Dave)
  - QR codes in place at all entrances
  - Permission granted to purchase 3 aluminum backed signs for each trailhead
  - Will print out multi-use Trails poster at Spark
- Grant funded work (Eric & Wayne)
  - Purchased 12 15' water pipes for trail drainage
  - Need to purchase stone and culvert(?)
  - Eric will write letter detailing use of grant funds by Aug 10
- Cabin Upgrades (Helen)
  - All cleaned up!!
  - Red Cross buckets are gone
  - Keypad and shelves are installed
  - Summer program just getting started
- Summer Programming (Norma)
  - Joe N and the Normas have lined up an impressive schedule of weekend events for the rest of the summer!
  - Dave M will post ASAP
  - New poetry posted on trail
- Summer Camp (via Sarah Mutrux)--no news yet
- Trails Conditions (Wayne)
  - Trails are in good shape, drying out nicely
  - All trails mowed
  - Lew's Loop bench needs to be replaced/repared
- Endless Mountains Race Hosting
  - Teams passed through successfully
  - Tree down on trail sent competitors to Bridgman Hill rd for climb up 😞

4. Buffalo Mtn Potential Purchase - Letter of Support Request (Helen & Norma)

- Trails committee will write letter of support of purchase of land (Helen)
- What is HT's role developing this acquisition?
- Need to examine Town Forest Recreation Plan to see how we could contribute

5. Signage & Installation Event - McCarthy Tribute

- Nancy will contact Sean McCarthy about designing plaque
- Hope to dedicate in September

6. Hardwick Trails Swag - hats & t-shirt decision (Nancy)

- Hats and T-shirts are \$20/each
- Nancy and Norma S will order both to replenish stock

7. Review of 2024 Strategic Plan: How are we doing? Identify 2025 priorities!

- Trails are expanding to east of Bridgman Hill Rd (thanks Nancy and All!)
- Adaptive trails?
- GMTCC is totally onboard!
- Much more varied summer program offerings (thanks to Normas and Joe!)
- New parking area and trailhead on Billings Rd

8. Other Business

- Coin drop July 12
- Need 6 volunteers
- Wayne will get traffic cones
- Need new tools for trail construction (Steve will pursue)
- New trail needs a name and possibly a plaque at the reservoir (Liz Dow may have some info on this—Eric R)
- Signage needed for new trail (Dave M and Steve B will pursue)

9. Set Date & Location for Next Meeting (August 4)

10. Adjourned 7:02