

Hardwick Trails Committee Meeting Minutes

May 4, 2026

5:00 - 6:00 PM

GMTCC Forestry Building - Hardwick

In attendance: Norma Spaulding, Ron & Norma Wiesen, Dave Mitchell, Corey Hathaway, Virginia Lapierre, Andy Gilbert, Wayne Renaud, Joe Nudell

1. Welcome: 5:04

- Added agenda item #8, see below

2. Review/Acceptance of March minutes –approved unanimously

3. Updates:

a. Trails Conditions: Dave, Andy & Wayne

- Trails still wet
- Lots of blow-downs, GMTCC may be able to take care of some of them...
- Several culverts are in need of attention!!
- Need to order new culverts and attachments ASAP

b. Budget: Norma S

- In good shape (FY2025-6 73% used up)
- Time to start fundraising for new tractor & backhoe?!?

c. Rec Committee: Joe

- Nothing to report at this time

4. Gear

a. Additional ski Inventory:

- Corey–found source for used (one season) ski sets, need to act ASAP!
- need to fill in size gaps in inventory
- Andy to coordinate with Helen / Corey on need

b. Sell old skidoo: Norma S

- Need to get off Town's insurance
- Andy & Eric? Will put on Craigslist ASAP

c. Wax jig–tabled for now

5. Mapping: Andy

a. New Posters Ready

- Printed two 21" x 27" maps on vinyl
- Will mount behind plexiglass for kiosks
- Joe will find out more about revisions and source file

b. Nordic Pulse Proposal

- App for reporting ski trails and conditions, etc
- A little to expensive for us

6. Programming

a. Wonder Kids Summer Programming: Virginia Lapierre

- Served about 100 students last year
- Grades 1-6
- 5 week outdoor program, used trails and cabin
- Looking for "experts" to guide groups of students, contact Virginia for details

b. Best Day Ever

- Joe–Looking for funding ~\$500, will approach Rec Comm for \$
- Andy–Town House SignUp? Or should we consider Parker-Ladd room at library?

c. Spring Programs: Norma W

- May Bird Walks are all set!
- Looking to fill other Saturdays for the rest of summer/fall

7. Trail Planning: Andy

a. Velomont Partner Agreement–table for now

b. Kelly Brush / Adaptive Partners

- May attempt to try some easier trail modifications?

8. Buffalo Mtn Steering Committee: Joe

a. If town successfully acquires Buffalo Mtn property a Steering Committee will be formed

- Select Bd will appoint 17 members
- Hardwick Trails is guaranteed at least one position
- Andy volunteered!!
- Others may apply

9. Head Home: meeting adjourned 6:07