

January Board Meeting 1/7/21

January 7, 2021 / 7:00 PM / Zoom

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Attendees

Erik Schutz, Matt Kantola, Colin Eggleton, Wendi Reuter-Lorenz, Aaron Day, Stan Spencer, Isaac Robison, Rob Knight, Ben Bardwell, Jim Lyall, Michael Bell, Felicity Knight, Brittany Preston, Jessica Brodie

Absent: Isaac

AGENDA

Last Meeting Follow-up

1. Approve Meeting Minutes from December 2020 BOD meeting

Motion to Approve minutes- Colin, Second- Aaron, Carried

New Business

1. Revisit Goals- Erik is open to suggestions, and Stan suggested limiting immediate future goals due to heavy project load now. Matt suggested focussing on raising funds and spending less. Rob and Felicity noticed a new instagram account with a similar name to ours, which is owned by Steve Giroux and is focussed on Mountain History. Rob is thinking of setting parameters and then to invite Steve to join our efforts. Jim felt that our priorities have always been the “connector and the Skills Park” in WWindsor, regarding what to work on.
2. Matt wants to reopen discussion regarding WWTF and Ebikes.

Old Business

1. Accounting/Fiscal Policy - Lynn Spencer (CPA)- Waiting for treasurer's information so she can create financial statements to begin organizing the following.
 - a. Volunteer hour tracking
 - b. Non-Profit Financial Software
 - c. Budget

Committee updates

1. Winter Trails-AARON

- a. Framework for old resort trails to be maintained(not discussed) - Not much to report since limited snow is a challenge. No more expansion, beyond what was developed this year. Jim has been working in WWTF and Stan has been working in WTF.
2. Trails Committee
 - a. Connector Trail- JIM, nothing new to report
 - b. Weathersfield Spur/ State FP&R update- STAN
 - Weathersfield TF- Ryan Gumbart (forester) is the designated point person for Weathersfield and is awaiting completion of Cooperation Agreement by Town Manager. Ryan has authorized us to begin flagging the Green trail system per our proposed plan and hopefully construct it this summer. Who will be Builder/Flagger?? (undetermined).
Brian Renfro will be presenting an official “certificate of use” for access to the WTF through the State Park (Ricks Road) this week. Brian Agreed to revise the Certificate to acknowledge ATA’s facilitation of this agreement.
 - TAMA/Spur - The State Stewardship committee has decided that there needs to be an act 250 review and then a complete proposal initiated of the TAMA. Contrary to my previous understanding, FPR has never been presented with this proposal and wants to initiate it now, (connector is as far as they go. Brian Renfro offered his help in doing so and hiked the state park property along the restricted “Natural zone near Cascade Falls with Stan this past Monday. Much to Brian’s disappointment, there we found an improved horse trail that is heavily flagged but not permitted. We also discovered an additional private land owner(5th, D&S Boyer) we will have to cross with the TAMA. Further investigation of a route will need to be initiated immediately in order to produce a complete TAMA proposal. Does ATA want to pursue all this because it will need lots of support to meet deadlines in February??
(undetermined)
 - **Motion to Approve naming the entire Windsor portion of the “connector trail” the” Norcross Trail”- Matt/Erik, Second- Ben, Carried**
3. Flow Trail Committee-AARON- Still waiting for skills park final design from Powderhorn. This will be presented at the next WWConservation committee, then to act 250. WWSelect Board wants an update too. Funding is still set at \$2500 from Ranch Camp, and other pending donations will raise our available funds to \$4000. Need over \$20K. Matt expressed concern regarding funding of all projects with so little income. Erik- We have the funding to complete the project, but will have very little in reserves without additional income. Brittany and John offered to promote fundraising to the youth group partners.
4. Events Committee-

- a. Vermont Mountain Bike Festival - develop MOU with Height of Land Publications(HLP)- Potential Fund Raiser. Erik is going to “poke” to see what HLP will contribute before we vote on doing it.
5. Youth Group Committee- Brittany/John: Putting things on organizational hold until CTA has us properly covered (insurance) for planning, and gathering MTB/Snowshoe/ general ski equipment.

Adjourned: 20:34

NEXT Meeting AGENDA - To Be Determined