

TOWN OF ST. GERMAIN

Meeting of the Non-Motorized Trails Committee Minutes

August 22, 2022

1. Call meeting to order by Anne Small at 5:32 PM
2. Roll call: present were Jim Swenson, Jimmy Vogel, Penny McCormick, Bob Schell, and Anne Small
3. Open meeting verification: Anne Small posted meeting agendas before 5:30 pm on August 20, 2022.
4. Minutes for previous meetings: Anne Small made motion to approve the minutes of the 7/12/2022 meeting, Jim Swenson seconded, motion carried. Bob Schell made motion to approve minutes of the 7/26/2022 meeting, Jimmy Vogel seconded, motion carried.
5. Citizen Concerns - none
6. Awassa Trail
 - a. Trail Report – Jimmy Vogel mowed the trails and took care of downed tree. Penny McCormick mentioned a downed tree on the return segment of the Blue/Red loops close to trailhead.
7. Fern Ridge Trail
 - a. Trail report – Jimmy Vogel said that trails are being well used and trail signs are up at the intersections, with names over the hiking and bike trails. Jimmy Vogel said they were going to put up trail cams to see if they could catch the individual(s) who are rutting up the parking area with their UTVs. He said the police have been notified and are keeping an eye out for them.

Jimmy Vogel said that Steve Vogel was out and did the landscaping around the parking area. The area was seeded and fenced off to let the grass grow. Jimmy Vogel sent the paperwork in to close out the state grant.

Jimmy Vogel mentioned that there are a couple of wet areas on the hiking trails below the new bike trails which are wet and may need some work.
 - b. Reschedule open house event – committee decided not to reschedule event for this year since the date would be past the raffle drawing for the bike and the weather could be iffy late in Sept.
 - c. Discussion/action storage shed purchase – Jimmy Vogel said he hasn't reached out to the shed companies yet. He would wait to see if the purchase is approved at the special electors meeting on Thursday. He estimated from \$14,000-\$16,000. He said that site prep is not included in the price of shed.
8. Bike & Hike Trail
 - a. Trail Report – Jimmy Vogel mowed along trail this past weekend. Anne Small noted that there were a couple of holes along the bike trail that were dug by Mastec during their underground utility installations, which they didn't fill in. Anne will contact Mastec about filling them.
9. Treasurer's report
 - a. Account balances – AwassaTrails: \$3,517.21, Fern Ridge: - \$3,013.11, Bike & Hike Trail: \$48,656.46
10. Other ideas/input from committee – Jimmy Vogel said they needed to start edging the bike trail.
11. Schedule next Trails Committee meeting – Sept 19, 2022, at 5:30 PM
12. Anne Small adjourned meeting at 6:43 PM.