

TOWN OF ST. GERMAIN

Non-Motorized Trails Committee Minutes

January 15, 2018

1. Call meeting to order at 5:37 PM
2. Present were Jimmy Vogel, Penny McCormic, Mary Platner, Becky Dunn, Bob Schell, and Anne Small. Absent were Marion Janssen and Jim Swenson.
3. Anne Small said she posted the meeting agenda on January 13, 2018, before 5:30 PM in accordance with the open meetings law.
4. Approval of agenda: Mary Platner made a motion to approve the agenda, Becky Dunn seconds, motion carries.
5. Read and approve minutes of last meeting: Bob Schell made a motion to approve the minutes from December 2017 meeting, Mary Planter seconded, the motion carries.
6. Citizen Concerns: none
7. Awassa Trail Items for discussion/action:
 - a. Candlelight ski/snowshoe event for February 10th, from 6-8PM. Committee discussed which items would be provided by each person. Anne Small said that she will be submitting a press release for the event to the Lakeland Times and the Vilas County News Review for publication a week prior to the event. Other committee members will distribute event fliers to area community boards. The volunteers would meet at 4:45 PM to start setting up the candles along the loop.
 - b. Trail update: Jimmy has been grooming after each snow using the roller and the drag with track setter. He noted that we should do some brushing at the snowmobile trail crossings for better sight distance.
8. Fat Bike Loop update: Jim Swenson wasn't able to get a hold of the person who had been snowmobiling down the fat back loop. Jimmy Vogel said he had not seen any snowmobile tracks along the trail lately.
9. Bike & Hike Trail: Becky Dunn noted that there is considerable snowmobile traffic on the paved bicycle trail in areas that are clearly not snowmobile trails. The committee discussed that this is a safety issue, in addition to causing wear to the trail surface. At a future meeting, committee will discuss possibility of blocking off the bike trail along certain stretches before then next winter season.
10. The next committee meeting was scheduled for February 19, 2018, at 5:30 PM
11. Anne Small adjourned the meeting at 6:20 PM