

**Non-Motorized Trails Committee**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Oct 15, 2018**

- 1) Meeting called to order at 5:32 pm by Anne Small
- 2) Roll call: present were Jimmy Vogel, Jim Swenson, Bob Schell, Penny McCormic and Anne Small. Absent were Mary Platner and Marion Janssen
- 3) Open meeting verification: Anne Small stated that she posted the meeting agenda before 5:30 pm on Oct 13<sup>th</sup>.
- 4) Approval of agenda: Jim Swenson made motion to approve agenda, Bob Schell seconded, motion carried.
- 5) Read and approve minutes of last regular meeting: Penny McCormic noted that she asked the question of the white markings on the Awassa Trail at the Sept meeting, not Becky, as stated in the Sept minutes. That change was noted, and Anne Small made motion to approve the September minutes with correction, Bob Schell seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- 6) Citizen Concerns: None
- 7) Fern Ridge Trail
  - a) Committee reviewed construction plans for a bog boardwalk that were drawn up by Jimmy Vogel. Discussion of whether height of surface would be sufficient in years of heavy rain. Committee agreed that height had to be low enough that it wouldn't require hand-rails. All work to construct boardwalk would be done by committee and volunteers. Anne Small made motion to approve the plan, Becky Dunn seconded motion, motion carried.
  - b) Committee reviewed Steve Vogel's proposal for trail reroute construction at the cost of \$1800. Jimmy Vogel said he would let Steve know that the construction was approved by the Town Board and that work could be done this fall if time and conditions allow. Jimmy Vogel, Jim Swenson and Anne Small would meet at Fern Ridge Trailhead on Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> to review the route before Steve commences work.
  - c) Committee discussed making a more detailed request for trailhead parking area off of Forest Lane. Jim Swenson was going to be in contact with DNR Waste and Materials Management Specialist to discuss moving stump dump. If that could be done, committee would request that parking could be put in place on that site, since it is already cleared and leveled. Committee will wait to discuss further until after Jim meets with DNR representative.
- 8) Awassa Trail
  - a) New hiking trail segment and new fatbike route – Anne Small suggested we wait until 2019 to finish the new connector trail from school to Eaglewatch trailhead. Jimmy Vogel said he would like to complete the approved winter fatbike route this fall. Anne Small and Jimmy Vogel would meet on Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9 am to flag the route.
  - b) Anne Small stated that there were three trees that needed to be cleared from the Maple and Aspen loops before the winter season. This work would be scheduled at a later date.
- 9) Bike & Hike Trail
  - a) E-bike usage on bike trail – this item was tabled until later in the winter
- 10) Other ideas/input from committee
  - a) Becky Dunn suggested that the committee start work on planning the Candlelight Ski/Snowshoe event at our November meeting
  - b) Jimmy Vogel said that new trail signage should be put in place on Fern Ridge trail once reroute is complete, and also for the new fatbike loop at Awassa.
- 11) Next meeting scheduled for November 15, 2018, at 5:00 PM
- 12) Anne Small adjourned the meeting at 6:36 pm