

**TOWN OF ST. GERMAIN**  
**Non-Motorized Trails Committee Minutes**  
**May 20, 2020**

- 1) Meeting called to order by Anne Small at 5:40 PM
- 2) Roll call: Members present – Jim Swenson, Jimmy Vogel, Bob Schell, Penny McCormick. Absent was Brigitte Ryan.
- 3) Open meeting verification: Anne Small said that she posted the meeting agenda before 5:30 PM on May 19, 2020.
- 4) Read and approve minutes of last regular meeting: Bob Schell made motion to approve the minutes, Jim Swenson seconded. Motion carried.
- 5) Citizen Concerns: none
- 6) Awassa Trail
  - a) Trail Report – Anne Small said that she picked up what was left of the candles along the green loop from the candlelight event. She also checked for trash along the remainder of the trail after getting a report of a lot of garbage along the snowmobile trail portion of the trail system. She did not find any, so perhaps someone else picked it up.

Anne Small also mentioned that she moved some of the downed trees along the Eaglewatch-to-school trail segment. There were some larger trees than needed to be cut to be moved. Jimmy Vogel said that he would go and do that with his chainsaw.

- b) Anne Small said that she emailed Sherry Stecker about the dog waste station. Sherry did not have a second station, but she did have bags to fill the waste station that is currently in place. Jimmy Vogel suggested that we move the dog waste station over by the actual start of the trail and that the “dogs on leash/clean up after your pet” signs should be installed on the same post as the waste station. The committee agreed.
    - c) Bob Schell made a motion that we purchase 3 additional dog waste stations (2 for Fern Ridge Trail entrances and one for the Awassa Trails entrance at school). Jimmy Vogel seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- 7) Fern Ridge Trail
  - a) Trail report – Jimmy Vogel blew the leaves on both loops of hiking trail. Anne Small said that she went through and cut the nubs that were left in the trail after cutting the small trees that were cut from pathway.
  - b) Update on snowmobile/atv trail reroute: Town board voted to approve going out to bid for the reroute from Hwy 155 to Forest Lane. Committee would meet on Tuesday, May 26, at 5:30 PM, at Fern Ridge Trailhead to put in wood slats to mark center of trail reroute. Jim Swenson would write up the bid description and get it in the paper by next Friday. Jimmy Vogel would bring wood slats and Anne Small would bring marking paint for the Tuesday session. Jimmy Vogel said he would like us to also remove the flagging that we used to mark the section of trail that would not be rerouted on the east side of Forest Lane.
- 8) Bike & Hike Trail
  - a) Trail Report – Debris has been blown off trail by town crew. Bob Schell trimmed branches on his mile section in town. Penny McCormick asked if the town crew would repair the missing pavement in trail at the corner of Normandy Ct. Jim Swenson said the town crew would be doing that.
  - b) Jimmy Vogel said he would like to have the town add the more specific wording describing the three approved classes of e-bikes as stated in Wisconsin State Act 34. Section 4. 340.1, as well as changing the wording in our town’s e-bike resolution from “15 mph” to “20 mph”, to follow state resolution. Jimmy Vogel made motion to approve this recommendation. Anne Small seconded motion. Motion carried.
  - c) Jimmy Vogel made suggestion that we recommend to the town board that the park behind the Chamber, which is currently called “St Germain Bike & Hike Park”, be renamed “Mark Hiller Memorial Park”. Committee discussion included agreement that this would be a good way to commemorate Hiller’s work on getting the bike trail established, in addition to all of his other work in the community. Anne Small made motion to recommend renaming of the St Germain Bike & Hike Park to the Mark

Hiller Memorial Park. Bob Schell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

9) Other ideas/input from committee: none

10) Next committee meeting scheduled for Wednesday, June 17, 2020, at 6:00 PM

11) Anne Small adjourned the meeting at 6:49 PM