

Stowe Trails Partnership Board Meeting Minutes

April 3, 2019 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: SAA Conference Room



Board Attendees:

Andrew Volansky	Roger Murphy (via phone)	Mike Waldert
Cyril Brunner	Erik Timmerman	Lucy Neresian
Leslie Gauff	Rob Connerty	Susan Clifford
Evan Chismark		

Quorum present? Yes

Other Attendees:

Rachel Fussell	Executive Director, STP
Michele Manino	Bookkeeper candidate
Mike Regina	Local mountain biker
Jay Knecht	Local mountain biker
Rick Solokoff	Local mountain biker
James Andrus	Local mountain biker

Item	Notes
Approve March Board Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Cyril moves to approve March board meeting minutes</i> • <i>Mike seconds</i> • <i>All in favor</i>
Legacy Trails and Brownsville strategic session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FPR meeting with STP, SLT, other stakeholders happening sometime this week or next week, site walk • Simultaneous transfer to the state from SLT once closing occurs in July • Reviewed concept of “legacy trails” with additional members • Rick mentioned that trails will be made public if access is approved (state forest) • Mike mentioned that we do not intend to “advertise” the trail • Discussion of how the trails started (connection to tabor ridge) • Lots of trails exist, which ones do we keep? • Roger mentioned that without management the trail it will wander and management would allow us to avoid “sensitive” areas
AC 2.0 and Boulder Excavation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nate and Josh are currently ½ of the way(distance) through quadruple bypass, ½ of the work total has been completed, hardest section (wettest section). • Understanding is that ½ would be paid at end of 2018 summer and ½ of completion • Concerns over management of trail resources (progress and financials) for 2018 work. New builders, may need more oversight • Expectation that trail builders and trail committee representative (Erik) will provide weekly updates during construction (part of Rachel’s weekly update) • <i>Roger makes a motion that we pay Boulder Excavation \$20,000 for the work that they have completed. The remaining \$8,000 will be held until Erik reviews the work completed.</i> • <i>Evan seconds</i>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>All in favor</i> • Formal trail progress updates to come from Rachel after communications and validate from Erik • Still waiting for an estimate to finish Owen's work
2019 Annual Budget	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewed budget • We have enough money in our trail fund to support 2019 trail projects • Roger discussed pebble beach and punchy climb back to high school with Dave Wilkens. He is willing to pay ½ of whatever amount. • Some opportunity to do some of this with volunteers, but rock work on pebble beach would be good to have done by Tom • Roger makes a motion to have Tom Lepesquer complete identified Strawberry Farm work (minus punchy High School climb) ~\$6.5k • Andrew seconds • All in favor • Would be good to have one point person for the Doiron's, Leslie going to be that contact person, with assistance from Rachel • Suggestion from Cyril to put together high-level overview of budget (what was our 2018 end #, what are we going to spend in 2019, what is our end of year expected trail fund \$) • Discussion on maps, Cyril to provide Lucy with maps • <i>Mike makes a motion to approve budget (minus Frank the welder)</i> • <i>Cyril seconds</i> • <i>All in favor</i>
Cabot Grant Wish for Funds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cabot wants naming rights on the trail, potentially some signage • Rachel spoke with MRR and they are not going to meet this ask (state land etc.) • Roger suggested that we have a conversation with Cabot. It would most likely make Cabot look bad. • Could they basically get what our highest level corporate sponsors receive.
STP Bookkeeper Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction • Michele has met with Rachel and Deb • Hope is that total cost would be less than \$5,000
Treasurer Election	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Cyril puts forth a motion to elect Mike Waldert as treasurer</i> • <i>Evan and Sue second</i> • <i>All in favor, Mike abstained</i>
Merchandise	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ~\$1,800 for club ride shirts and stormtech jackets • Mike would like to get more hoodies (10 additional), Sue suggested that we order more given how quickly they sold at Annual Meeting.
TrailHub	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trailhub still has around 100 users (in October of last year) • Seems wise to continue paying given the low cost (\$125), in this years budget
Quickbooks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Cyril makes a motion to renew \$50 Quickbooks (cloud up to 5 users) subscription</i> • <i>Lucy seconds</i> • <i>All in favor</i>
Meeting adjourned	8:18 p.m.