

Town of Glover
Trails Committee Minutes
January 15, 2024

Present: Peggy Day Gibson, Tim & Brenda Plastridge, Ann Creaven, David Olsen, Ted Young, Bob Sharkey, Anne Benning, and Michelle & Dominic Dominijanni.

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:09 pm.
2. Minutes from last meeting – The minutes from the Nov. 13, 2023 meeting were read and approved with a couple of minor changes.
3. Officers: Peggy Day Gibson was elected as chairperson and Michelle Dominijanni was elected as secretary.
4. Black Hills
 - a. Carbo is still working on the trail map for accuracy and trail junctions. Will open it up this year.
 - b. There is some interest in having a trail run. This may lead to more volunteers for trail maintenance, etc.
 - c. next kiosk: should be put on the Stegner side of the land. We will target May for putting it up.
 - d. Carbo is happy to work with VLT and the Nature Conservancy. Most like the connection to the Black Hills will be along the town line trail towards the Mud Pond logging trails. Can't go through Paddock Hill on the Nature Conservancy land because it is being used by UVM for a planting project.
 - e. Peggy is working with Chris Steel from GCC. They also have a geo-enabled map of the Greensboro trails.
 - i. It would be nice to have a connection from the Hinman Rd. in Glover to Tamarack Ranch Rd. in Greensboro, but there is private land in between. Discussions with landowners continue (slowly...)
 - f. Peggy is also approaching landowners on the Shadow Lake side of the Back Hills land.
 - g. Would be nice to have one map that encompasses all of the adjacent parcels of land in Glover and Greensboro.
 - h. Would be nice to have topology/elevations on the map.
 - i. Peggy would like to take the large printout of the Black Hills map to the town meeting to publicize our work.
5. Hester Webster trail
 - a. Brenda and Peggy went to the selectboard meeting on Dec. 28 about the beavers. They approved the plan.
 - b. Slippery bridges off of Parker Road -- old snowmobile tracks from Al's Snowmobile (Newport) were put down. These seem to work well. Peggy will call and look into getting more.
 - c. Bridge (the big one on Bob Tetrault's land) -- the brook is too wide where it used to be. We found a narrower spot further upstream. Lake Parker Assoc hasn't yet connected with Bob. He will have to file for permission from the VT Dept. of Env. Conservation. Brenda and Tim will follow up.

- d. Brenda noticed while browsing on the Glover Trails website that you need to go to ANR for permits for anything that's on water.
 - e. Would be nice to have more bog bridges. We need to measure and count how many planks we need, then go to David Young to get them. What does LPA want to do here?
- 6. VOREC grant application
 - a. Ann C, Jethro, Michelle, Dominic worked on and submitted the application. Should have an answer in February. Michelle described the project that was submitted in the application.
 - b. Regardless of the grant application status, we need a management plan for Glover Park. Ann will talk to Jethro.
- 7. ARPA money
 - a. We got \$25k, have spent \$13k so far (\$5k on pump track, \$7k on Shadow Lake Mobi mat, ~\$700 on kiosks).
 - b. Targets for remainder: foot bridge off of Parker Rd, signage, Hester Webster trail, more training?
- 8. Recreation Committee
 - a. Technically we are part of it
 - b. Balance of \$3280 in funds
 - c. Glover Ambulance is interested in doing Glover Days with various events: bicycle rodeo, bike safety, giving away bike helmets, a run, a bicycle race (where should it end?). The Equity Committee is also planning events.
 - d. Someone named Kyle asked about a ping pong table at the town hall. Would be about \$2k -- where would it be stored?
- 9. Winter Outing
 - a. snowshoe in Black Hills. Exact place TBD and circulated in email. Monday 1/22 at 10 am.
- 10. Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Michelle Dominijanni