

Hardwick Recreation Committee

Meeting Minutes

January 9, 2025, 6:01 PM

Members present: Jason Bahner, Mallory Greaves, Sara Behrsing, Emily Vavir via phone
Recreation Coordinator: Jason Bahner

Mallory called the meeting to order at 6:01pm.

Secretary: Sara Behrsing

Approval of Budget: Mallory motioned the budget be accepted. Emily seconded it. Motion approved.

Approval of Minutes: Mallory motioned the minutes to be accepted. Emily seconded it. Motion approved.

Resignation of Lanna Hall: We sadly accepted the resignation of member Lanna Hall. She has been a valuable member of our committee.

Teach America to Swim: The timing of the payment for this program was tricky for the budget so David Upson approved the check to go out before the committee had a chance to approve it. Mallory made a motion to approve the amount of \$3000 for the swim program. Emily seconded it. Motion was approved.

Meeting start time: There was a discussion about changing our meeting start time but decided against changing it.

New business:

- **Snow Dog Purchase-** Jason put out a proposal of purchasing a Snow Dog machine for the trails in Hardwick in order to groom Fat Bike Tire trails in the winter. The Hardwick trails committee used to own one but it was sold. Jason believes this purchase will add to the use of the trails in the winter. The committee asked him to talk with Dave Mitchell about the purchase of one, the Trails committee as to where to store it, volunteers to run it and who would maintain it.
 - Mallory made a motion to approve a one time amount of \$4000.00 to be put towards the purchase of a new Snow Dog once Jason had done his research. Emily seconded it and the motion passed.
- Discussion ensued about the move from a Recreation Committee to a Recreation Department. There has been some discussion through David Upson about this but it is unclear as to the timeline and what it would involve. Jason felt we should strongly encourage David to attend our meeting to make this clear to the

committee.

- Discussion about future events being provided by the Recreation committees were discussed.
 - Mallory will reach out to the library about purchasing a popcorn machine to help support the library in providing community movie nights.
 - Sara will reach out to the food pantry director to get more information on a possible pickleball tournament at Hazen this fall.
- Mallory would invite David to our next month's meeting.
- Tracy Martin from the LVRT may be in attendance as well.
- **Meeting adjourned at 7:01pm**