



RASTA Meeting
Perch Lake Shelter
Wednesday, April 21, 2021 6:00 p.m.

Members present: Scott Watson, Steve and Andrea Engel, Rich and Sarah Reidinger, Guy Hansen, Dennis Zielinski, Ralph Solome, Mike Evelo, Rhody, and Tyr Wiesner-Hanks

1. Welcome - Scott called meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
 2. Approve Minutes (2/17/21) - Motion to approve by Guy, second by Scott, all in favor, minutes approved.
 - a. Motion by Scott to send minutes for approval to the Board of Directors ,those who had an item on the agenda, and those in attendance for approval prior to the next meeting so that minutes can be posted on the website earlier than the next meeting. Second by Steve, all in favor, motion carried.
 3. Approve Treasurer's report - Motion to approve by Sarah, seconded by Steve, all in favor, treasurer's report approved.
 - a. Guy has requested when the new contract with the County is negotiated, additional grooming money may be needed. We will evaluate the contract spending category amounts at that time.
 4. New Business
 - a. National Bike Patrol (informational item) - Sarah - More information is needed and we will invite Gren to a meeting to answer questions.
- Background: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1IH8l66Asy6FvkTyHOL1hBvqbMurQDPu2/view?usp=sharing>
- b. Possible ski swap - Scott - possible ski equipment swap in the fall. More information will be presented at a later date.
 5. Trail Updates
 - a. Washburn Guy & Scott
 - i. Ski Trail - Kiosk K Area modifications - Widen corner, Bruce P. can do
 - ii. Ski Trail - Kiosk H, I reroute - Abandon part of the trail to make Judy's Loop flow easier
 - iii. Ski Trail - Old Ice Road, new easy ski trail - A lot of work will be needed to make a new trail. Part of Lee's Loop portion of the bike trail will need to be re-routed. Approval will be needed from the County for the bike trail.
 - iv. Ski Trail - widen corner on Southern loop - Widen corner by removing some oaks to help flow of trail. Bruce P can do. This will need to be done after July 15 due to oak wilt.
 - v. Ski Trail - Widen between kiosk J & K. Also widen by kiosk B.

- vi. Single Track - No BS connection to post 16 - Temporary connection will be made to post 16 or kiosk K until trail can be finished.
 - vii. Single Track - Lee's Loop modification if new ski trail - will need new trail if ski trail is made.
 - viii. Pump Track - All work will need to be done after July 15 due to oak wilt. Scott has walked the area with Paul from the County.
 - ix. Winter Fat bike trail - Scott, Steve, Rich, and Sarah walked portions of the single track at Washburn to look at the possibility of having groomed trails. More details will be presented at a future meeting.
 - x. Single Track - Scott will collect project and maintenance ideas for Washburn. If you have ideas or comments send them to him at scott.watson.mail@gmail.com
- b. Mud Lake - Rich
- i. Trail maintenance/ work days - The old Pines trail will be reopened. Work day will be scheduled for clean up.
 - ii. Single track reroute - Rerouting of portion of Lake Loop to get trail off of private land.

6. Groomers Report

- a. Equipment Updates - Possible purchase of a Polaris Ranger or John Deere Gator for grooming. Rich will check with Erv's on cost of a Polaris Ranger. He will get information from Brian regarding needed/wanted equipment. Possible sale of 2013 sled. Rich suggested looking at not selling sled or trading in on a different sled if fatbike grooming is a possibility at Washburn. Possible sale of compaction drag at Nose lake as it has been unused for a couple of years. Possible sale of Tid Tech to replace with a Ginzu groomer.

7. New Equipment

- a. Proposed purchase of YARDMAX Power Trackbarrow - Rich - Motion made by Guy to purchase, seconded by Ralph, all in favor, motion carried. Rich will purchase.

Background Link:

https://www.homedepot.com/p/YARDMAX-Power-Trackbarrow-with-Hydraulic-Assist-Hopper-YD8105/310622955?MERCH=REC-_pipsem-_308674531-_310622955_-N&

8. Communications

- a. RASTA E-News Letter - Scott - If there is something that members would like included, please let Scott know so that he can add it. This can include new equipment purchased, trail work, etc.
- b. Information Pamphlet - Ralph - nothing new to add. Ralph will print some up.

9. Event Updates

- a. CPR (May 15) - Andrea - 2 classes are offered. First class is filled and approximately 10 openings are left for the second class.
- b. RASTA Rally (May 16) - Andrea - Online registration is live.

10. Sponsors - Scott - tabled for future discussion

- a. What is the status of our sponsors
- b. Should we seek additional sponsors

11. Fundraising - Rich and Sarah will look into having another event at CT's Deli later this year.

12. Old Business - Mike Evelo is trying to get the Ski For Light to Rhinelander in 2023 and has asked for a renewed commitment letter from RASTA. Motion by Guy to renew commitment, seconded by Dennis, all in favor, motion carried. Ralph will send renew commitment letter to Mike.

13. Adjournment - Motion to adjourn by Andrea, seconded by Dennis, all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Background for April 21st RASTA Meeting

1. Guy and Scott walked proposed trail projects at Washburn with Paul. In summary, if the project involves cutting oak or potential damage of oak roots the project needs to wait until after July 15th. We need to keep the County informed of all trail work. All projects are in the updated 5-year Plan.

Kiosk K Area

- Single Track - Connect No BS to Post 16, oaks can be avoided. County approved (mini)
- Ski Trail - Widen ski trail on hill, oak cutting. County approved (tree cutting and bulldozing).
- Widen ski trail kiosk J to K. County approved. (tree cutting, no oak, bulldozing)
- Widen ski trail north of kiosk K County approved (oak cutting & bulldozing)
- Ski Trail - Proposed connection between northern loops. County approved concept. Project needs more evaluation, very steep. Would happen after/during logging (bulldozing)

Old Ice Road

- Ski Trail - Use haul road to access Judy's Loop and Lollipop.
- Ski Trail - Proposing to build a new beginner ski trail route to/from Judy's Loop & Lolly Pop. County approved concept. Project needs professional evaluation to scope out fill and grading work. (oak cutting, filling narrow areas, bulldozer)
- Single Track - If a new easy ski route is built, we would need to use a few hundred feet of Lee's Loop. We can share trail or evaluate single track reroute of this section.

Area 4 South Loop Ski Trail

- Ski Trail - widen corner on the south loop. County approved (1 tree & bulldozing)

Area 5 - Pump Track, County approved concept and location. County requests RASTA flag trail and defines features for further review. (minimal tree cutting, Travis build)

7. Rich recommends the purchase of a YardMax Trackbarrow. Rich talked with Jon from Rock Solid and they are looking into this brand because the parts are more readily available. Rich feels this would definitely make trail building and maintenance a lot easier in moving dirt, rocks, and whatever else we need to move. It is way more inexpensive than a Canycom.