



PARKS AND TRAILS ADVISORY BOARD

PTAB Meeting Minutes 9/23/20 (via Zoom)

Meeting Commenced - 6:03 pm

Present: Jamie Konkoski, Ashley Milne, Jimmy Cunningham, Ezra Schwarzberg, Dwight Stevenson, Lindy Ellis, Sara Roth, Steve Langdon **Guests:** Josh Wilson, Adrian ?, Justin Levine, Fred Balzac
Rich Shapiro Ex-Officio

Absent: Tyler Merriam, Colleen O'Neil

1. Public Comment

- Saranac Lake resident Josh Wilson opened discussion regarding the construction of a 'pump track' for local mountain bikers. Possible locations included Mount Pisgah & Dewey Mountain. Resident Adrian Hayen commented on pros and cons of dirt tracks verses cement tracks. Josh, Adrian, Rich, and Steve agreed to start a sub-committee to explore this idea further. PTAB members initially had positive feedback for this project.

2. Approve July Meeting Minutes

- Lindy made a motion to approve the July meeting minutes, Jimmy seconded - unanimous.

3. Old Business

- Community Enhancement: Tim Fortune will present the sculpture project idea to the Village Board on Monday, 9/28 in the town hall.
- Baker Mountain sub-committee: Jamie reached out to NYSDEC regarding a volunteer stewardship program. Steve recommended organizing a Facebook group, outside of the ADK Mountain Club and BETA with a point person who would sign a stewardship agreement with the NYSDEC. PTAB members support this idea – more to follow in the Baker Mountain sub-committee meeting on 9/30.
- Lindy and Rich discussed stiped shoulder for Old Lake Colby drive. Lindy will make recommendations to highway superintendent via letter from PTAB. Jamie will follow up.
- Action Plan update: Ezra updated the group on Google Maps for the parks in the village; Google needs information from users, then verification to become a 'local guide' in order to name or re-name parks in the village. Ezra will follow up with Rich who has also previously worked on this project.
- Wayfinding Signs: Adirondack Daily Enterprise, Gear To Go Tandems and Can Am Rugby have renewed their sponsorships.

4. New Business

- Community Development Updates: Streetscapes projects in Riverside and Prescott Park moving forward with tree orders. Steve Recommend red maple and cedar. Lindy requested more picnic tables and "quality" dirt for the new trees. PTAB Members support the idea of focusing on landscaping and adding more seating to these parks.

- Ampersand Park update: Ashely has been promoting the Kiwanis Legacy of Play for 25K in updates. She will create a Facebook page to help promote this project.
- Fall PTAB meetings have been scheduled for October 28th, November 18th, and December 16th at 6pm
- Jamie suggested a proposed work session for the report and budgeting process.
- Rich mentioned Pisgah should be opening as scheduled this winter.
- DAB advises against downtown trick or treating for 2020.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:26pm