

Minutes of the Friends of Lapham Peak Snowmaking Committee
Hausmann Nature Center
Sept 17, 2019, 6:05 PM-7:45 PM

Present: Anne Riendl, John McCarthy, Rich Marusinec, Bruce Wydeven, Rick Bjodstrup, Mike Graham, Chris Peske, Mike Koester

Next meetings: October 8 & 22 at 6PM at Hausmann Nature Center.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of September 3rd approved. Anne R. will notify Mary Ellen B. to distribute and post the minutes to the website.

Fright Hike Discussion:

Volunteers needed for Team Leaders and support. Approximately 100 volunteers needed. **FRIGHT HIKE MEETING WILL BE HELD WEDNESDAY SEPT 18, 2019 5PM at EVERGREEN SHELTER** to discuss responsibilities and walk the trail. Please let Angie know ASAP if you will attend or not. You can use this email address: frighthikepeak@gmail.com to let Angie know about your interest and availability.

Winter Recreation Storage Building: Rich has been in contact with Beattle- Shawn from Myer's Masonry has provided an estimate. However, his estimate did not include footings/frost wall as shown on current drawings, sent to him by Rich. Rich to get Shawn's email address to John M. John will be sure Shawn understands the current revision site plan.

No budget estimate for the electric to the building from Elect-Tech yet. Rich is after them. John checked out the proposed building site and took an unofficial soil sample. It shows 4-6" topsoil and 18" down is tan clay that seemed firm. John estimates we will not need soil imported. John explained the latest revision site plan. John and Bruce discussed building gutters and downspouts. Downspouts will likely be located on the west face of the building.

John and Anne R. have Scheduled a meeting with Anne Korman about potential DNR funding and requirements. Eyad Omari is the reviewer from the state John has been communicating with. The main goal is to get a feel for how much funding would be available from the state and how would the design and approval process be affected.

SnowCat: Will has been working on some ideas for getting our next snowcat. We are still trying to secure a demo snowcat for late December early January and test it during the 2019-20 season. Also discussed was potentially having the Friends of Lapham Peak finance a PB100 in 2020. The Pisten Bully 100 is currently what we believe we would like to have. We will discuss with Anne K at the meeting noted above about what the conditions would be for us to finance and own the snowcat, and use it on the trails, as opposed to having DNR own it.

Bicycle Liquidation: Rich took some pictures of the 20 or so bikes we still have and is looking at obtaining the value of the bikes. Once the asking price and bike descriptions are available Theresa McDonald will post these bikes on social media.

Current Snowmaking Balance: \$64,568.10

Publicity Opportunity: Ellenbecker Investment Group- Newstalk 1130 WISN has a show on Sunday morning at 10AM. Recording will be done Oct 1, 2019. We have a 20 minute segment, and the Ice Age Trail Alliance has a 20 minute Segment. Anne is looking for suggestions for content. It needs to be tied to education overall.

Man Made Snow Celebration: January 1st again this year.

Snowmaking Season Prep Actions: A lot of action needed between now and December 1st

Other Notes:

Embezzlement Protection was agreed to at the Sept 4, 2019 FLP Board Meeting

Lapham Peak Club Schedule is available for the upcoming season and should be on their website.

Respectfully Submitted: Jim Bostrom