

Tamworth Outing Club minutes, April 30, 2018

Present:

Board members: Kathi Brown, Sheldon Perry, Brian Cutter, Amy Berrier, Anne Chant, Kent Hemingway, & Karl Behr

Meeting called to order at 7:15

Secretary's Report:

Report from February meeting was approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Approved.

Kathi made note that King Pine did not charge TOC for missed days.

Discussion of the ski program followed: The program went well, but X/C only had two skiers. Matt Krug is going to work on that next year.

Suggestion was made that offering biathlon would bring more interest to the X/C program.

Grooming costs \$2/mile. Brian reports that he groomed 600 miles in 2018 compared to 800 miles in 2017.

Baseball:

Jim Hidden is apparently handling all aspects of the baseball programs.

Amy did note feedback from a parent regarding poor communication about Cal Ripken schedule for her child. There was a question as to who is in charge of the snack shack. The thinking is that it is the Rec Department.

Tamworth Foundation:

Kathi will give a report on the ski program.

Membership:

Carolyn Hemingway will be putting together the annual membership appeal letter by late May. Amy will get a short blurb about dances to her to include.

There will be a stuffing party on Wednesday, May 30 at 6PM at Kent's house.

The annual TOC meeting date will be Saturday, August 4. This will be held at Sheldon's house. Bring camp chairs to sit around the fire pit!

Highway Clean-up:

Meet at Rutabega parking lot at 7:30 AM on Saturday, May 5.

Ski Trails:

There is a wet hole on the upper Ferncroft trail. This section will be relocated. Discussion of expanding the Ferncroft parking lot. Karl says this probably will not happen.

Dances:

Amy presented details to the board about the upcoming Second Saturday dance series, which will start May 12. Amy has confirmed that the Town House will be ready by this date. The dance committee (Amy, Dexter Harding, Lucy Gatchell, Hannah Fleischmann, Kem Stewart, and Kit Morgan) have been working hard to get publicity out about the series and to coordinate with Friends of the Town House to ensure all is in order for the first dance. Amy has lined up Community Partners for almost every dance during 2018. The Farmers Market is the May partner. Each month, the partnering organization or business will contribute \$100 towards the TOC dance fund, will help with dance publicity, and may be at the dance as host and/or with a display about their organization.

Note: The May 12 dance was a huge success! Over 40 people showed up on a night with multiple events going on in Tamworth. Peg Loughran of the sponsoring Farmers Market brought snacks, with a basket for TOC donations. Dancers filled the floor from 7:30 right through the final dance at 10. There is a lot of buzz and excitement about this new twist on Tamworth dances. Much appreciation goes to the dance committee!

New Business:

Tower-to-Town Trail: Kit and Kent got nowhere.

Family Day BBQ? Not this year.

Reach the Beach: Kent will take this over from Karl.

Next meeting: Wednesday, May 30 (stuffing party at Kent's)

Minutes submitted by Amy Berrier