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## Board Meeting Minutes

04-08-2020

6:30pm

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Meeting called to order at : 6:35\_\_\_\_ by \_Steve\_\_\_\_\_

Opening Business	
Approval of previous minutes	Minutes approved
President's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Crazy month</li><li>• Insurance figured out for next year, basically renewing everything from the previous year. We need someone to look at it to figure it out.</li><li>• March was Membership Meeting. Everyone was re-elected. The Trails Director position is vacant.</li><li>• Jay, Laura and Steve went to the County Parks &amp; Rec Board meeting to discuss plans for the upcoming year, Powder Keg and National Snowshoe Championship. They also updated the Parks Board on an interim shipping container to get equipment on property. We need to figure out where to put it.</li></ul>
Vice President's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Steve and Laura went forward with the group's own Zoom Pro account. We are starting with 1 host option for now.</li><li>• Still continuing member newsletters.</li><li>• Will review Firecracker in the meeting.</li></ul>
Treasurer's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 108 active members</li></ul>
Secretary Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Financial report is on Google Docs. Things are quiet right now.</li></ul>
Trails Directors' Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•</li></ul>

Area 178	Riding well and is dry. People are enjoying it.
Hickory Ridge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• North loop will be blowed out. It's still pretty wet and won't open a while.</li></ul>
Lowes Creek	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Chainsaw work will take place at Lowes on 4/11.</li><li>• Trails won't be ready this week.</li><li>• Lowes will get hit hard when trails open. There were 20-30 cars out there Sunday morning. Everyone spotted was on ski trails.</li><li>• Would like some walkers to remove sizable branches off of single tracks when it's open.</li></ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Need to prioritize Axed workaround. Right now, plan for it and will try an early trail day (end of May/early June?)</li> </ul>
Northwest Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Looking good. No trees down on the route traveled.</li> <li>• Been hearing trails are dry, with some muddy spots.</li> <li>• A pin flag was able to poke through about 24 inches.</li> <li>• Steve flipped the sign.</li> <li>• We'll publically announce this is open</li> </ul>
Centennial (Otter Creek)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trails in good shape</li> <li>• Dave Olson has already done some work.</li> <li>• Name change is set for April meeting.</li> </ul>
Pipestone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>
Hiawatha	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>
Silver Creek	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>
Menomin Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Open</li> <li>• Will get out with a blower to blow things off.</li> </ul>

County Member at Large Reports	
Eau Claire	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>
Chippewa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Working on comprehensive forest plan</li> </ul>
Barron	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>
Dunn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>

Unfinished Business	
Bar Tickets	Going to hold on that. When at Modicum, it was noticed another group did the same thing with the same bars we wanted, partnering with Bike Chippewa Valley, so the idea was scratched for now.
Utility Shed at Lowes Creek	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Danny to get a couple of different prices on containers (40 ft).</li> <li>• Will continue on with building plans. When the plan is presented to the county, will let them know of some site locations to put it.</li> </ul>
NWP Liaison	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• David is stuck in AZ; we need to find a partner for David.</li> <li>• John Strossel is interested in being a liaison. Motion passed to make him the liaison. Steve will help John as well.</li> </ul>
	Note, the snowdog is stored in the trailer.

New Business	
Mini-ex in Menomin Park/Schedule	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dunn Cty would like the mini-ex for some new trails to clean up.</li> <li>• Hickory Ridge would like mini-ex as well.</li> <li>• Many need the skid steer in Lowes to haul some retaining wall block.</li> <li>• County board members to work out a schedule</li> </ul>
Bike Chippewa Valley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chippewa Valley Bike Map is being updated.</li> <li>• The 2015 version does not include off road trailheads.</li> <li>• If you have the 2015 version, look at it, mark the trailheads, and send Dean a picture.</li> </ul>
Trails Director	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jay is termed out. This position is for an Officer.</li> <li>• No term limits for anyone on the board (officers and directors).</li> <li>• Amend bylaws for Article IV section 2e and make no limit to the number of terms an officer can serve. This will not need to be ratified at the full meeting as long as we have 2/3 Board vote.</li> <li>• Jay Plummer has been appointed.</li> </ul>

Slack	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Would like to start using Slack more to communicate as opposed to email.</li> <li>• It allows for more receptive communication and is easy to use</li> </ul>
Frost tube	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Would like a more scientific approach to determine when to open trails.</li> <li>• A tube is laid in the ground so you can see where the frost is at.</li> <li>• There's no guess work and it's easy to explain the method to the community.</li> <li>• If we use a combination of the tubes as part of the process, we can educate the population on how trail readiness is determined..</li> <li>• Pick 3-5 ideal areas in the parks to plant.</li> </ul>
Trail Maintenance with social distancing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Can do projects as the circle of death needs to expand.</li> <li>• Could set up trail days as a shift - 1st shift (5-6 people), disinfect tools, and then 5-6 more people do.</li> <li>• Create a zoom training video, have it recorded and make it available. Make lopping and debarbing first as those two tasks can be completed individually.</li> <li>• Mowing will be kept to a tighter group of people and will require individual training.</li> </ul>

Event Director Reports (only what's currently pertinent)	
Firecracker	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reached out to Paul Ayres, title sponsor. He will back us either way.</li> <li>• Decision is made to cancel for this year.</li> <li>• We have not committed any money to the event, so we are not out of anything.</li> <li>• There are a few weekends available in the Fall, but it will conflict with FBB and many other events.</li> <li>• Look into the federal stimulus grants to make up the shortfall for events we were going to have. Jay will look into it.</li> <li>• Suggestion to regroup for 2021.</li> <li>• If we are able to meet, we can do a Deerfly Tour type group.</li> </ul>
Take a kid mountain biking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No momentum until life returns to normal. Pavillion is reserved.</li> </ul>
Sadistic Century	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On hold for now</li> </ul>
Deerfly	
Fall Back Blast	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>
Powder Keg	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>

Member Input	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>
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Attendance - Board						Attendance - Guests					
Steve Wood	A	Jenny Pederson	A	Bill Zimmerman	A	Dave Uber	Tina Deetz				
Laura Plummer	A	Bayli Christorf	A	Ryan Urban		Dustin Marsh	Dale Sonnenberg				
Chris McDonald	A	Jay Plummer	A	Jerry Porter	A	Mitch Husom					

A = Attending, NA = Not Attending

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm by Steve

Submitted by Jennifer L. Pederson, Secretary