

St. Lawrence County Public and Private Lands  
Recreational Advisory Board Meeting

Draft Minutes for January 15, 2008

**Present:** Dawn Howard, Bill Lutz, Roger Bennett, Bill Dashnaw, Tom Ortmeyer, Aaron Earl, Bob Dowman, Stephen Papson, Judy Wendt, Dawn Theisen, Kermit Blanchard, David Irish, Alex MacKinnon, Brian Bullard, Laura Perry, Warren Irwin, and Stanley Hewlett. (16 Voting members)

Meeting was called to order at 7:07 PM by Roger Bennett. No minutes to approve as we had no quorum last month. Notes were emailed.

Roger turned the meeting over to Dawn who opened the floor for nominations for chair. There being no nominations besides those from the nominating committee, Kermit make a motion to close the nominations and the Secretary cast one ballot for Roger as the Chairman. Judy seconded and all were in favor.

Dawn turned the meeting back over to Roger.

Bill Lutz reported that the nominating committee would like to forward Alex for Vice-Chair (Tom O. withdrew his name) and Dawn for Secretary. Bob Dowman made a motion to close nominations and the Secretary cast one ballot. Laura seconded and all were in favor.

**Committee Reports:**

**Trail Oversight** – Tom O. reported that the last Oversight meeting was cancelled. Bill D. has federal design standards to pass out to committee. Need to access whole trail in Spring for signage. Trail marker color needs to be finalized. Meet after this meeting to pick next committee meeting date.

Jefferson County has a trail maker. Lewis County does not yet.

Committee includes: Dawn, Tom Grow, Deb, Dave Irish, Marshall, Kermit, Tom O., Bill L., Stan, Warren and Bill D.

**Mapping** – Aaron reported that there was no report.

Committee includes: Aaron, Stan, and Kermit

**Finance** – Dawn reported that there was no report.

Committee includes: Dawn, Bill D., Deb, Judy, Dave, and Lloyd Moore.

**Education and Enforcement Committee** – Laura reported that there was no report.

Committee includes: Bill L., Judy, Laura, and Bob D.

Roger had everyone do introductions and asked if anyone wanted to get on other committees. This is an open process.

**Old Business:**

Dawn reported that all names sent in were approved by the Board of Legislators for appointment and reappointment.

Alex gave a Town of Parishville update. The Town passed the local law and forwarded to SLC Planning. SLC Planning will respond with concerns before next Town meeting. (They don't act on local laws.) Hopefully the Town will approve the local law and set a date for a public hearing at their next meeting. We can be ready to go after mud season.

Question – Do we need a permit to put up kiosks/signs? Oversight Committee needs to check into. Dawn will call.

**New Business:**

We have a new name, Ron Bertram, for membership. Kermit made a motion to pass to Board of Legislators. Bill L. seconded and all were in favor.

We also need a new DEC advisor. Dawn will call Tim Baxter and ask him or for a delegate.

Tom O. brought forth a proposal to reroute the trail between Benson Road and River Road. This is to get it off the ski trail. After much discussion it was decided that Tom will do another proposal and email to all. Trail colors were confusing.

Discussion was held on a Consultant to help with SEQR. It was decided to invite Planner Jon Montan and Lewis County Trail Coordinator, Bob Diehl, to our next meeting.

Next meeting was scheduled for February 19<sup>th</sup> at 7PM at SWCD.

Oversight Committee will meet 1/29 at 7PM at the Highway Department, 44 Park St., Canton.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45.

Minutes by Dawn Howard