

CRAG-VT BOARD MEETING

February 5th 2019 – Vermont Land Trust

In Attendance: Rob, Travis, Mischa, Roderick, Andrew, Kris, Emily, Andrea, Tim

Absent: Seth, Steve

Guests: John Casari, McKinley

Start Time: 6:40 **End Time:** 8:18

BOARD BUSINESS AND GREETINGS

- Treasurer's Report
 - o Check from climbstuff.com for \$220
 - o Paid \$508 to diocese for Lone Rock access this year
 - o Taxes are paid for 2/19. Still owe electric bill for house
 - o \$68,642.45 currently in bank account
- Roderick proposes new website host.
 - o Would save money, but require website redesign
- Potentially start additional chapter for Southern VT.
 - o Let's start talking with southern VT climbers. Kris will contact Ben to find a motivated climber.

COMMITTEE UPDATES

Education and outreach

- Bolton Bouldering Guidebook by Ben Blackmore through GunksApp
 - o Crag may receive 10% of sales?
 - o Anna and Mel are writing a Smugg's guidebook.
- Crag-Rag
 - o Bolton Dome opening announcement.
 - o NE Ice Conditions Instagram, 5-10 Q&A about this account
 - o Fall Fest
 - o Choss Pile – new routes

- o 911 updates
- o GunksApp guides
- o Lone Rock Updates
- o Access Fund Summit
- o Rebolting effort update with Greg

Stewardship

- 911 Address signs to be put up at each cliff for first responder access.
- Smuggler's Notch Stormwater Steering Committee
 - o State of VT is looking at improving the parking situation in Smuggler's Notch. Revegetation, relocate small boulders (rocks) to prohibit people from parking on side of road. A lot of other potential ideas. Travis is working with them to communicate what boulders are important for climbing.
 - o State thinks this project is years away.

Membership

- 9 members, \$267
- Roderick proposes to revamp membership using donerbox.
 - o New system will remove most/all manual processing effort.
 - o Fee structure is \$0 dollars in months we collect less than \$1000. 1% in months that we collect \$1000 or more.

Access

- Lone Rock Point
 - o New MOU is written. Kris will get it to Craig and back to Kris and get it signed.
 - o Adam Sanchioni reached out to do a service project for UVM. Pete Clark recommends that we do. Adam will do a study of cliff to determine how old certain trees are, where falcons nest, etc...
- Bolton Dome
 - o DRB conditionally approved parking lot that costs an estimated \$80 - \$90k.
 - o Make real estate prices conditional on building or parking lots etc...
 - o Update Andrew Roy and Chad Barrett that we will not be building parking lot.

- o Potentially buy land from Marcia Guyette.
- o How can we open in this spring?
 - Recommend people to park at Smile school or Quarry. Tell people that Champ lane is a private road and should not be parked on at any time.
 - Educate community on rules surrounding Bolton Dome during spring kickoff party.
 - Ask Andrew Roy if he would like us to cut a footpath through woods in front of his driveway so people stay further away from his house.
 - Kiosk is in Bill Simmons basement. Will need to install, but not necessary prior to opening.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- OGE Kickoff party
 - o Sometime in March. Work with OGE to determine.
- Smugg's Ice Bash
 - o Event happened. Donations not yet tallied up.
- Fall Fest
 - o Sept 21st and 22nd
 - o Needs speaker
 - See if sponsors will send a sponsored athlete
 - Potentially work with OGE to get speaker
 - o Fallfest Frenzy