

CRAG-VT BOARD MEETING

September 3rd 2019 – Vermont Land Trust

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

Absent: None!

Guests: Pete Clark, McKinley, Joe, Keese, Michael Hunter, Andy, Dr. Katzman, Jordan

Start Time: 6:40 **End Time:** 9:00

BOARD BUSINESS AND GREETINGS

- Treasurer's Report
 - o Check sent to insurance for festival
 - o EcoPixel webhosting fee paid
 - o Green Leaf paid for current use plan
 - o Taxes coming up on Sept 16
 - o Mammut, Skida, Knox Mtn Bags, The North Face paid festival fees
- Applied to Access Fund grant relief program
- Applied to AAC Cornerstone grant
- OGE charitable grant to apply for

COMMITTEE UPDATES

Membership

- 236 Members

Access

- Bolton Dome
 - o Parking is going well.
 - o Seth and Andrea attended Bolton Select Board Meeting. Select Board appears satisfied with Crag's parking situation.
 - o Permanent conservation easement
 - Dick is willing to help with a significant donation if done by September 3 2020
 - Kris to take point on coordination with Access Fund on easement process
 - Seth will take point with VLT easement process

- o Pete Clark did year 2 of biological assessment.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Vermont Climbing Festival
 - o Mike Hunter reached out to VT Climbing Fest
 - Mike has property on Bolton Valley Access Road that has some boulders on it (Black Barn Farm). He has recently started developing with Pete Cutney. ~6 climbers working on problems now. Not open to public right now, but moving toward that. High concentration of high quality boulders in ~200 sq yard area.
 - Mike's proposal is offering a workshop for any festival participants to have access to the property for the festival.
 - Mike's long term vision is to work with Crag, CTA, VT Huts and others to open the property up to more outdoor recreation. Mike's vision for revenue generation is for a high end campground.
 - o 85 people registered
 - o 40ish staff and vendors
 - o 14 clinics, 20 signed up for clinics. Sunday is full. Saturday is half full
 - o Sport comp
 - o Consider having a lower cost entry fee for just speaker events or Saturday evening for next year
 - o Trail Day
 - Do water bars on trail up to 82
 - Clear road up to quarry and parking area
 - Extending stepping stones at upper west
 - Finish wood stairs at dome
 - Moving brush to Andrew Roy's
 - Collecting rocks around dome for base around railroad yard
 - Build rock stairs up to pirates cove
 - Graffiti removal
- Benefit Bake, American Flatbread, October 15th