



## **SHARED USED TRAILS AGENDA**

Tuesday, September 12, 2017, 4:00 pm  
Civic Centre

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## SHARED USE TRAILS

### MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, August 22, 2017

4:15 pm

Civic Centre

Present:	C. Martin, Chair K. Dumas, ATV Club L. Gelineau, Snowmobile Club M. Reckahn, Penokean Hills Field Naturalists D. Rees, Snowmobile Club A. Turner, Coureurs de Bois M. Dean, Cross Country Ski Club
Regrets:	D. Brunet, Mount Dufour Ski Area L. Cyr, Member/Councillor J. Hall, Penokean Hills Field Naturalists D. Marchisella, Ex Officio/Mayor R. Tellier, Coureurs de Bois, P. Shipman, Elliot Lake Cross Country Ski Club
Resources:	J. Johnston B. Ralph W. Rowland, Director of Community Services T. MacDonald, Algoma Public Health J. Lowe, Denison Environmental D. Brown, Rio Algom Limited
Others Present:	D. Dees - Snowmobile Club, T. Elliott - Penokean Hills Field Naturalist M. Turner - Coureurs de Bois

#### 1. ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 4:21pm.

#### 2. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

### **3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

#### **3.1 April 11, 2017**

**Res#: 11/17**

Moved By: L. Gelineau

Seconded By: C. Martin

That the minutes be received as read.

**Carried**

### **4. PUBLIC PRESENTATION**

### **5. INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF CORPORATE REPORTS**

### **6. PRESENTATION OF COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **7.1 Storage Shed – Maintenance Support**

**Res#:12/17**

Moved By: L. Paul

Seconded By: M. Turner

That capital project 2-831-TRL-1601 in the amount of \$15,264.00 be reassigned to the purchase of an enclosed cargo trailer be recommended.

**Carried**

### **8. CORRESPONDENCE**

#### **8.1 Members Group Activity Reports**

##### **PENOKEAN HILLS FIELD NATURALISTS REPORT FOR SHARED USE TRAILS MEETING**

Our Saturday walks continue.

There was a north shore birding expedition in early spring and the weather was quite cool. There is only a short period of time though when you can catch the migrating birds. We also did a trip down to Chutes Park to view the trilliums. We hit it just right and the flowers were out in abundance.

On June 21<sup>st</sup> we took a ride down to Blind River to walk the Boom Camp Trails. This is where we saw dozens of dragon flies flitting around as well as hanging from branches. We suspect they may have been recently hatched and were trying their wings. We also saw remnants of some big old logs that were left there after the logging boom ended. It was a very interesting walk.

A couple of our ladies also did a beach-to-beach walk (Spine to Westview and back) this spring. We had

planned on a scavenger hunt around Sheriff Creek, but it got rained out.

On August 19 we had our end of summer pot luck in Westview Park. There were around 30 members that showed up for that. Our outings director, Pam Watts, arranged for some fun games after dinner. We had a couple of young boys there (grandsons of members) who gave the adults a good run for their money at these games. A good evening was enjoyed by all.

September 14 will be our first meeting after the summer break. This is when we start our new year and memberships are due at this meeting, although we give members a two month grace period before we cut them off. Some outings will be planned for the fall.

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## **Coueurs De Bois Report**

For the Shared Use Trails Committee, August 22, 2017

We are continuing our four weekly hikes. Attendance has been down, which is normal for the summer season. We have seen a marked increase in the number of new members who have recently moved to Elliot Lake. Membership is just under 100.

We completed a highway cleanup in May of both sides of 108 between the airport and the Depot Lake boat launch.

We hosted two Canada Day hikes in Mississagi Park on July 1. Previous years have seen excellent attendance. Last year we had 42 participants on the two hikes, but the hikes were not held on Canada Day. This year, the Saturday Hikes fell on Canada Day. Poor weather and the availability of activities in town on Canada Day resulted in dismal attendance for both hikes. I'm going to suggest that next year's hikes be held either the weekend before or the weekend after Canada Day weekend. The City's festivities will likely be held on Saturday, June 30 and Sunday, July 1 2018. The final decision will be the responsibility of the Coueurs De Bois' new executive.

Poor participation for Miss Ambassador will not be held next year.

We had excellent participation at this year's Lumber Jack Days. Members assisted with parking and served the Sunday Lumberjack breakfast.

Five new hike leaders were certified this May.

Our trail master has been unavailable for most of the summer due to family responsibilities, so no trail clearing has been done. We hope to resume trail clearing next month.

Our next general meeting will be held on September 19<sup>th</sup>. The general Meeting in November will include elections for a new executive.

## **Cross Country Ski Club**

A verbal report was submitted:

The ski club is not active during the summer months. We are considering options for the coming season.

## **ELSC Report for Trails Alliance Meeting 22 August 2017**

1. Thank you for your donation from the Hi-Rail Leasing North Shore Challenge Drag Races for our volunteer services.
2. We finally received our permit from the MNRF to go ahead with the reroute of the Stanrock Road trail, better known as EL 1. The map is available. We hope to begin 5 September 2017. All confirmed.
3. We have applied for a fire wood permit at a cost of \$323.20. This permit has been received.
4. We are presently modifying the track set. It will be attached to the 3 point hitch of the tractor. It should prove better for grooming the cross country trail. A copy of the snow comb part is available.
5. Our tractor needed some bodywork done to the hood. This work was completed by one of our volunteers.
6. If the public works department could dump their waste fill and granular materials at a designated area (that we will propose), we could take care of spreading it. The 2 locations are at Mountain Road where the trail crosses and at the crossing on HWY 108 just past Timber Road North. This would allow us to work on two sections of the trail at a time. Dumping the fill at the curling rink is not accessible were it is needed.
7. We will have a membership meeting 10 September 2017 at 7pm.
8. We have passed a motion last June to increase our membership fees to \$25. This will help to keep our club self-sufficient.

## **ATV Club Shared Use Trails Report**

### **Trail Maintenance**

In the month of June we worked on trail #3 and #4. We cut 7 trees and did some brushing. On Whiskey Lake Trail we cut 8 trees and did clean up along the trail. May Lake loop we cut 10 trees while we were out on our Saturday ride. We went back and cleaned up trail #1 from Elliot Lake to Dunlop Lake Lodge. This month we put in 13 hours on trail maintenance.

In July, we did clean up and brushing and removal of trees when we were on club rides. We put in 6 hours of work this month.

So far in August we have spent 7 hours at cleaning up and are now starting to set up regular trips just for trail clean up.

### **Volunteer Hours**

We had 2 events this year. At the Relay for Life we put in 8 hours and had 8 members participating. At the Drag Races we put in 14 hours and had 10 members participating.

#### Club Rides

We go out every Wednesday and Saturday. We have 6 to 12 members riding.

#### Memberships

We have 60 members this year.

#### Events

We have a few events planned for this year. The fishing ride is scheduled for August 26th. We will be stopping at different lakes and fishing for the day. On September 9<sup>th</sup> we are going on a night ride. We are doing the May Lake loop and stopping at Dunlop Lake Lodge for supper. On September 23<sup>rd</sup> we are riding to Matinenda Lake. We are planning a fall run in October 14<sup>th</sup> followed by a steak dinner at the Moose Lodge. This is an event where everyone is welcome. The last event for this year is a Christmas party in December.

#### Club Meeting

We have club meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of the month. We have 15 to 20 members attend these meetings.

### **8.2 Roundtable Discussion**

### **8.3 Group Planning Discussion**

Round table discussion and brainstorming ensued regarding future trail needs

## **9. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD**

## **10. ADDENDUM**

## **11. CLOSED SESSION**

## **12. SCHEDULING OF NEXT MEETING**

The next scheduled Shared Used Trails meeting is 2nd Tuesday of the month at 4:15pm.

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

**Res#: 13/17**

Moved By: M. Reckahn

Seconded By: L. Gelineau

That the meeting be adjourned at the hour of 6pm.

**Carried**