

## **Subject to Approval**

### **Minutes of July 28 meeting of the Rockland Preserve Management Committee**

**Members Present:** Joe Oslander, Dave Okomoto, Jason Engelhardt, Tim Burton, Rich Nace

Guest: Jon Petersen

Meeting was called to order at 7:41 PM.

**Minutes:** send minutes to [meetings@madisonct.org](mailto:meetings@madisonct.org)

Campers at camp site- 7/28-29

Dead standing trees around campsite from gypsy moth infestation need to be dropped

Chair's Report: Area for major clean up from Service road to Outdoor classroom  
Need a cleanup day by September...Recommendation to promote a workday with organized jobs to break down work

Recommended jobs:

- Rebuild charcoal site and clear new growth of brush at site for Oct. field trips
- Cut high grass at Pine Trees and North side of Coan Pond
- At Youth campsite dead trees (10-120 to be cut for campsite
- Clear cut at outdoor classroom facing Coan Pond
- Outhouses need general maintenance and inside cleaning
- Check cross over trail cut from OCHD to CH Rd. to Charcoal site for downed trees and Boundary trail
- Replace sign post at Old Crooked Hill Road/ Service Rd.
- Crossover trail at the bridge, there is a post that needs the sign re-bolted

Check with Dave Anderson on letter from RWA on maintenance of Coan Pond trail

Reporting for Coan Pond Trail is up-to-date and available at

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1t6MBzKNSaEF2WbeFu79AMXedh-bwYGdFLBH3XCw1u5Y/edit?usp=sharing>

Update on new insurance and do's and dont's based on discussions with Scot Erskine

- No exhibitions or racing
- Jon Petersen is looking to book the contractor for the pump track and has been in communication with the preferred builder. The pump track committee has multiple bids over time to complete the work and the committee has a preference for Josh Gee. Pump track will take 1 week. We have most of the dirt and have been promised clay. Next steps are to gain permission to hire the builder and to finish getting the materials in order to complete the job.
- Signs: entrance sign for pump track and separate for skills park, rules and expectations, map, helmets required on signs separate from other rules.
- Defined spectator area is recommended so that people are safely out of the way of bike traffic

- Recommendation to meet as a small committee at the bike park to review the lines and safety concerns.

Parking concerns discussed. Signage and social media will be used to keep people out of the Samantha Drive neighborhood and redirect them toward Renee's. Parking problems are limited to Spring and Fall.

Trail proposal by Jon Petersen for routing that would direct people on singletrack in areas that use double track. He has 4 potential trails in mind. 2 are not priority, will be discussed at another time. 2 are to redirect people off the double and onto the singletrack in order to get people to the top of the hill.

Chainsaw training for users that are allowed to cut trails in Rockland Preserve? Rockland Preserve needs more authorized chainsaw users to clean up after storms. Question for Scot Erskine

Meeting Adjourned 9:30 PM

Next meeting September 19, 2018, 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jason Engelhardt