

Friends of the Waverly Trails

Minutes

Wednesday, January 11, 2006

5:30 pm

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting of the Friends of the Waverly Rail Trail was called to order at 5:30 PM at City Hall.

REGULAR BUSINESS:

1. Candlelight Ski (Walk) Event on Saturday, January 14 from 5:30-7:30 pm on the Waverly Rail Trail. Planning for The Candlelight Walk was the first order of business. Gene Rathje has plowed some of the ice and snow off spots that haven't melted yet and will go over it again before Saturday. Gene will be at the Parks shed Saturday at 3:30 pm to get the milk jugs, sand and candles with those who have pickups. We will use trucks to put the lanterns out and then we will light the candles on our way back. Kim will get more lighters and also bring leftovers from last year. We'll start at both ends. Since the Depot will be open we will extend the candles down to it. Kim is arranging for a person to be at the shelter to give directions. They'll have a lantern for illumination. It was suggested we bring flashlights for any emergency along the trail. Bruce will see to the bonfire, cocoa and s'mores. We'll also provide the Depot with some Nestles hot chocolate. Clean up will start Sunday morning at 8:00 a.m.
2. The Use of Reserve Funds for the Sealing of the Wooden Trail Bridges. We decided to use Trail Committee funds to buy the preservative and use volunteer labor.
3. Using Volunteer Help to Seal the Trail Bridges in 2006. We plan to apply preservative to the wood on the bridges later this spring. We should be able to do this with volunteers wielding rollers and brushes. We will plan to do the railroad bridge this year and the rest of the bridges next year. We'll have to close the bridges with wooden floors for 24 hours to allow them to dry.
4. Final draft of the Trail Guide.

ADJOURNMENT:

- The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Jim Rathe
Friends of the Waverly Rail Trail Committee