



MAMMOTH LAKES RECREATION

Mammoth Trails Committee Minutes of Regular Meeting

October 10, 2024, 3:00 p.m.
437 Old Mammoth Road, Suite Z, Mammoth Lakes

Members Present: Committee Member Bill Sauser, Committee Member Rob Patterson, Committee Member Elise Howell, Committee Member Caroline Britton, Chair John Connolly

Members Absent: Committee Member Spencer Ostergaard, Vice Chair Michael Draper

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair John Connolly called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m. in the Council Chamber, 437 Old Mammoth Road, Mammoth Lakes.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no comments given at this time.

3. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Moved by Committee Member Rob Patterson
Seconded by Committee Member Bill Sauser

Approve the Consent Agenda.

For (4): Committee Member Bill Sauser, Committee Member Rob Patterson, Committee Member Elise Howell, and Chair John Connolly

Absent (3): Committee Member Spencer Ostergaard, Committee Member Caroline Britton, and Vice Chair Michael Draper

Carried (4 to 0)

3.1 Approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 8, 2024.

4. REPORTS

4.1 Trails Program Manager Report

Town of Mammoth Lakes (TOML) Trails Program Manager Andrew Mulford and Office of Outdoor Recreation Manager Lawson Reif outlined the information in the Trails Manager Report.

Committee Member Caroline Britton joined the meeting at 3:06 p.m.

There was discussion between TOML staff and members of the Committee.

4.2 Outdoor Recreation Manager Report

TOML Office of Outdoor Recreation Manager Lawson Reif and Trails Program Manager Andrew Mulford outlined the information in the Office of Outdoor Recreation Manager's Report.

There was discussion between TOML staff and members of the Committee.

5. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

Committee Member Rob Patterson spoke about the work being performed at the Sherwin Trailhead and reported that the chipping piles would be removed on Monday. Mr. Patterson said that the Forest Service continued to face part-time staffing challenges and that he would meet with Inyo National Forest Mammoth Lakes District Ranger Fred Wong on Monday to discuss staffing along with other issues such as Town permits.

Committee Member Bill Sauser said that he would like to agendize a conversation in general about the Forest Service and their responsibilities. Mr. Sauser said that he had recently done the back of the Glass for fall colors and said it was spectacular.

Chair John Connolly reported that a California Conservation Corps (CCC) crew showed up at the Lower Rock Creek Trail and did a full brushing on it, which may last up to 5 years. Chair Connolly said that he biked up the Mountain View Trail on Tuesday and reported that the trail was in perfect condition.

Committee Member Elise Howell said that she had been enjoying trails and fall colors.

Committee Member Caroline Britton announced that it was Chair Connolly's birthday. Ms. Britton said that she had enjoyed the numerous local sporting events that had taken place over the past few weeks.

There was discussion between TOML staff and members of the Committee.

6. REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Committee Member Elise Howell requested a report on summer usage from the trail counters at a future meeting.

There was discussion between TOML staff and members of the Committee.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:28 p.m.

Angela Plaisted, Assistant Clerk