

BIG LAKE TRAILS, INC.

13 March 2009 Board Meeting Minutes

7:15 p.m. Board members present: Dan Mayfield, Dan Kruse, Cathy Mayfield, Monica Thomas, Margaret Billinger with Viki Kaas absent. 13 members present.

Dan Kruse made a motion to accept prior minutes with changes of the date and correct spelling of the Biessel name. Cathy Mayfield 2nd. Passed Dan Mayfield thanked Monica for the hat designs and completion of task.

Dan Kruse reported SVWT signage completed 3/13/09, Scott Lapiene and others were there to help, it took 2 days, the hardest part was getting to the tree. Stop sign on #1, broke off and was reset by Cathy Mayfield. 62 signs were installed enough to get to the big swamp in Willow. Willow is working on their side. The trail and signage is self explanatory and GPS may not be needed. Two trees were down, sawed and clean up, and the by-pass looks great, a lot of the trail is single track.

For the ride on Saturday, Dan Kruse will bring a chain saw. A total of 500 signs have been put up. Game plan ground rules: Stay on trail snow is 4-5 feet deep. Slow down and catch everyone at the Big Su, Mayfield's will bring walkie-talkie, There will be two sweepers with vest and flags. Dan Kruse will lead wearing a safety vest and flag. At Ron's Riverboat, Marilyn has 500 gallons of gas. Park on river, fuel up first. Feather in as you approach when need be, with arrival about 1:30 pm. Dedication to follow at 2:00pm.

Big Lake Trail members who are not riding will bring: Membership, hats, ride sign up. TABLE/CHAIRS, Scissors. Insurance disclaimer on liability waiver of ride sign up must be signed by everyone riding. Chamber of Commerce will provide: coffee, donuts and speaker system. Have everyone line up stretch ribbon for ceremonial cutting. Lathe markers will placed on Big Lake and also at Susitna Landing. Safety first and ribbon cutting. Ride expected to take 3 hours with 3 rest stops. Trail has been groomed with a 5FT groomer.

Susitna Landing 1:30-3:30: Mid Valley Trail Riders having food, Wayne and Marilyn to cut ribbon if Sara doesn't show up. Dan Mayfield to do introductions. There is 55 miles of trail on our section, with a total of 110 to the Denali stop. Start 9:30 tomorrow at North Shore 10:00 everything starts.

Bruce Paulsen Reports: Resolution for the assembly R (09-11) will be before the Planning Commission Mtg. Monday 16, 6pm. Dan Kruse and Scott Lapiene will both give testimony. General concern seems to be the amount of private property involved. Dan Kruse stated (RS2177 trail) Herring Trail, has the most issues with private property. In platting actions 40 acre parcels now have allowances to reroute trails to make everyone happy. Snow Trac grant funds used up on tree hugger carenis signs and snow poles another grant may be attempted.

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By-laws change read by Dan Mayfield. Motion made by Dan Kruse to change the by-laws to new language. Margaret Billinger 2nd passed by vote of 13yes, 0 nay. Dan Mayfield will complete and distribute and will be posted on Website.

Margaret Billinger, Cathy Mayfield, Tim Ringaldi were interested in board openings. Dan K. made a motion to accept all three to the board openings, 2nd by Judy Strong motion carried. No announcements. A set of keys were found and will be placed under a lost and found section on our website. A verbal thank you and round of applause was given to Grace Kruse for her work on our website. A hit counter will be added to the site for grant application statistics. Adjournment at 8:15 1hr.

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