

Wolcott Recreation Committee (WRC)

9/21/2015- School Street Rec Fields

6:00PM-7:00PM

WRC Attending: Dom LaPorte; Jackie Cassino; Maxfield English;

Other(s) Attending: Eric Nuse(Lamoille River Paddlers Trail Association-LRPTA)

### **Proposed Campsite**

- Wolcott Selectboard received a request from the WRC regarding a proposed campsite along the Lamoille River- to be open to paddlers only. The Selectboard asked the WRC to review the proposal and make a recommendation to approve or not.
- Eric walked through the specifics of the proposed campsite.
- In addition to campsite design specifics- Eric addressed the following questions:
  - The Wolcott Athletic Association also utilizes the field and pays for the seasonal port-a-john, we need to inform them of the request and make sure they are also on board. **Once the details are ironed out, the WRC will let the AA know of the proposal.**
  - The following details are up to the WRC to fine tune, but generally, Eric recommended the following:
    - Clear signage- to be put up at the campsite near the river put in- not in the School Street parking lot/visible from the road.
    - Total allowed overnight at site- to be determined by the WRC, but Eric suggested 3 tent sites max, or about 6-8 people.
    - Duration of stay allowed- 2 days max stay
    - Quiet hours- to be determined by the WRC
    - Pack it in/pack it out or LNT language,
    - No overnight parking allowed,
    - Which months out of the year camping is permitted- water levels will dictate this somewhat as this site is on the northern stretch of the trail- most likely May/June.
    - Local steward- to be identified by the LRPTA and will maintain site during operation
    - Neighbors- LRPTA will contact neighbors to inform of proposal
    - Privy-WRC to follow up with AA regarding months the port-a-john is out in the field. If May/June, then site will use that facility. If not, the LRPTA will construct a privy on site and the local steward will maintain.
  - Will fees be collected for use of site?- No.
- **Next steps- LRPTA will follow up with neighbors and identify a local steward. WRC will fine tune the site "rules" and check on use of the port-a-john. Once these details are complete, WRC will make a recommendation to the Selectboard. Timeframe- aiming for winter approval. Site construction early spring.**

### **Elementary School Trail- Workday**

- WRC to schedule a preliminary trail workday to walk the proposed trail from the Elementary School to Flat Iron Road. The purpose of this work session will be to flag trees/brush that will

need to be removed, determine route specifics, and discuss trail signage/markings and any safety concerns.

- Maxfield has been following up with Elementary School principal- will confirm ok to move forward with the preliminary trail work day.
- Maxfield will secure parcel/tax map to confirm abutting neighbors. WRC will determine best course of action regarding contacting neighbors.
- Jackie will poll WRC for weekend work day- to also include fall planter work.

### **2016 Budget**

- To be continued at next meeting. Brief discussion regarding: planter maintenance; covered pavilion; and composting toilet at School Street Rec Fields- similar to those at [Green River Reservoir](#)
- Proposed budget will need to be complete by November- scheduled meeting with Selectboard.