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Recreation Department
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Parks and Recreation Advisory Board - Meeting Minutes

Wednesday July 9th, 2025, at 4:30pm (Mt Apatite)

Members Present: Haley Warden, Philip Savignano, Julia Bergeron-Smith, Jeremy Gatcomb

Visitors/ Speakers: Chris Riley and Ryan Walker

Excused Absences: Tim Cogle, Corey Kinnan (via email), and Elisabeth Collier

Unexcused Absences:

Approval of absences Phil/Haley; all in favor unanimous

Meeting Minutes: June minutes approved Phil/Julia all in favor unanimous

Department Update- not available this month

SWOT Notes from Park Tour

Group rides

Women's bike group meets here for women all over the region

Trails for walking vs biking

Added a trail system, including a boundary trail

Youth model - paid trail work

Volunteer board -nonprofit

Put on races

Toy drive - auction

President writes grants during the off-season

The importance of trails is getting recognized more and more as we hear that getting outside is good for mental health and physical health

Blue and red trails are accessible for adapted riders (bikes)

Maxed out as an organization



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City of Auburn - had CIP funding - \$6000 last year and \$12000 this FY

So some funding from the city, but not often. It happened with Sabrina the first time.

\$6000 this year for maintenance to help keep us from going backwards. Also a lot of trail volunteers.

Opportunity

Changing space - wooden pole barn to change and be discreet

Move house up the hill to be more accessible

Pump track for the spot that has a foundation

Meeting was adjourned, Phil/Julia all in favor unanimous.

Next meeting will be held Wednesday August 13th, 2025, at 4:30PM at PAL