

CRCPRA Minutes for 1 February 2021  
Management Committee meeting

Committee members attending:

Kathy Stahl

Lee Boland

Keith Guillard

Sid Hoke

Mark Mosey

**ARCGIS Capstone Project**

\*Keith's student Kyle will develop an interactive online trail map of CRCPRA as part of his senior capstone project (click on specific features to read background information ie. riparian zones)

\*his students will also conduct vegetative sampling and further develop a management plan for the east prairie parcel

**Colfax Global Science class**

\*pond prairie parcel (east side) is planned to be burned in April and prepped for planting

\*inventory what is out there at our next work day

\*Sid has a no till cultipacker that he is willing to let us use if we want to scarify soil before planting

Knowles-Nelson funds

\*\$72,500.00 in Town of Colfax account

\*Uses of money:

Sid posed the idea of seeking out matching grants as a way of extending K-N funds. Need to spend money to make money (Disabled fishing pier: if people see the good we are doing they are more likely to support our goals)

\*Lee suggested we don't spend down the money, but leave an amount in reserve (\$50,000) for projects we have not thought about yet

\*considered hiring a local excavator (Grant Paulus) to remove trees/stumps and possibly chip on site or haul debris off. Mark mentioned chips could be hauled and used on school environmental site properties

Work day dates:

\*February 14th: Noon to 2pm

### Bench designs:

- \*committee looked at various bench designs and considered placing our choices at sites with pleasant features. Leopold benches were the most affordable and could be built as a project by various groups. Recycled material benches were expensive
- \*materials (posts) may be available from I94 projects
- \*Sid knows a guy who could saw boards if needed

### Signage:

- \*foot travel signs have been installed
- \*where should the remaining "foot travel only" sign be placed?
- \*signs look great

### Maps:

- \*Keith agreed to make temporary trail maps that would be available to users
- \*Mark agreed to make a trail map box to be placed somewhere on our kiosk
- \*we will discuss cost of an enclosed case and a permanent trail map for the kiosk

### Maintenance/Cleanup:

- \*as we develop our content for kiosk, we need to encourage pet owners to pick up dog solids especially if they occur on the trails
- \*also include on the kiosk, "Pack it in, Pack it out" philosophy for users
- \*Mark suggested removal of the garbage cans. One less job for Tyler and it removes an eyesore from the property

### Track setters:

- \*we agreed it may be simple and cost effective to set our own ski and snowshoe tracks after fresh snows

### Felland Park outhouse:

- \*on a recent workday, Lee inspected the outhouse and found it to be in a shambles and really an embarrassment
- \*Kathy was going to invite a Town of Colfax board member to visit the building and see if they would repair and get it on a regular maintenance schedule