

Green Mountain Club - Burlington Section
Annual Meeting – February 9, 2013
South Burlington

The meeting was called to order shortly after 7:00 PM. Phil Hazen thanked Kelley Christie for organizing the meal and meeting. Kelley in turn thanked her many volunteers for helping her. 106 attended this annual meeting.

Executive Director Will Wiquist and Executive Vice President John Page spoke to the group. Will gave an update on the Winooski bridge building and trail relocation project. He mentioned how there is a goal where a private investor is willing to match dollar for dollar for all donations made before August to fund the bridge project. The plans for building the bridge are being formulated right now by a professional engineering group. The land needed to change the approaches to the bridge have been conserved. Plans are well under way and we should see the first shovel-full of dirt moved this summer.

John Page spoke fondly of the old days when he used to hike with the Burlington section as a “younger man”. He talked about the club’s plans to expand the blue blaze hiking trails into the Bolton Valley Nordic Ski area. Bryant Camp and Bolton Lodge will come under the protection of the GMC. All in all, there will be two side trails added to the Burlington section. The relocation of the Long Trail along the Bolton to Stimson Mountain ridge is a “sweet hike”; one that a few of our executive members got to enjoy in the spring. The time frame to rebuild the trails and shelters along this section – a couple of years. Duck Brook and Bamforth Ridge Shelter (which will no longer be on the LT) will continue to be maintained by the club.

Phil Hazen was acknowledged and roasted by Robynn Albert (far too mildly) as the outgoing 8-year running Section President.

Business:

Membership approved the proposed 2013 budget as proposed by Treasurer Joel Tilley (attached) without discussion.

Membership approved minutes of the Annual Meeting of January 21, 2012 as submitted by Linda Evans, Secretary without discussion.

Executive Committee reports were presented.

Membership approved the 2013 slate of Executive Committee as proposed by the Nominating Committee without discussion:

President	Ted Albers
Vice President	Kelley Christie
Secretary	Mary Keenan
Treasurer	Joel Tilley
Membership	Dot Myer

Ridge Lines	Maeve Kim
Shelters	Linda Evans
Annual Meeting	Kelley Christie
Marketing & Communications	vacant
Education	Taylor Christie
Special Programs	vacant
Section Historian	Dot Myer
Outings	Paul Houchens
Outings	Kelley Christie
Trails	Pam Gillis
Trails	John Sharp
Web Site	Ted Albers
Director	Ted Albers
Past-President	Phil Hazen

The meeting concluded about 9:30PM after a presentation by Bob & Martha Manning Called "Walking Distance: Extraordinary Hikes For Ordinary People."

Submitted by Mary Keenan, Secretary