

Tallahassee Mountain Bike Association

November 2023 Meeting Minutes

Dreamland BBQ, 6pm

Board Members Present: Doug B, Kat S, Kathy D, Doug D, Matt C, Jacob F, Andrew P

Approval of October meeting minutes

Approved

TMBA 2024 Board Elections

The following slate of nominees was approved by popular vote (unanimous) of present TMBA general body members:

President – Doug Bell

Vice President – Matt Coniglio

Secretary – Isaac Johnson

Treasurer – Eric West

At Large – Chad Smith

At Large – Jacob Fortunas

At Large – Vacant

Treasurers Report

Report not formulated – Doug and Kathy to rendezvous to hash out details

Land Manager Updates

ANF – Doug Bell has been coordinating with Seth of the USFS regarding fill material for future work days to mitigate drainage issues. Brad McLeod has mapped out existing limerock stockpiles out in the forest that may be used in these efforts. October's work party was successful with attention being paid to Paper Cup. Momentum should be kept up on Munson – there's a decade of backlogged work to be done on the trail tread. The ride-and-dig format was successful and can be used for future work days in conjunction with standing group rides.

With the Freebirds 50 ride being truncated due to Goldmine trails being unsanctioned by the USFS, discussions have been had about the process of sanctioning the trails for use. The USFS staff is aware of their existence.

Phipps – Doug B is lining up three draft proposals from different trail builders to supply to the Water Management District for consideration for up to 10 miles of single track on the Phipps property. With the Red Hills Horse Trails being a thing of the past, the park may potentially be adapted for better mountain biking trails.

County – Leon County is anticipating bidding out their Trails Master Plan to a consultant in early December.

State – More trails are likely a couple years out at Overstreet

Shirts

Matt C to handle shirts as well as options for tank tops and hoodies. There is potential for doing preorders among other options. Discussion was had around DIY heat pressing. Matt and Chad were given the reins for handling the 2024 Urban Gorilla shirt.

Insurance

Matt and Doug B to follow up outside of meeting

Holiday Party

It's going down on December 9th at the Zach/Kat residence. \$500 budget with previously approved for food and drink. Kat S to handle/coordinate party planning, etc.

MLK Holiday Ride

Every MLK Holiday in January (always on a Monday) TMBA hosts the MLK Ride at the St Marks National Wildlife Refuge and subsequent cookout at Newport Campground. Doug B to call and book campground

Thunder

<https://www.wtxl.com/news/local-news/in-your-neighborhood/northeast-tallahassee/tallahassee-group-pushing-for-inclusivity-in-mountain-biking>

Past board(s) has dedicated \$2500 annually to the Tallahassee Thunder youth MTB team
No motion made by 2023 board. Doug B will coordinate with Bree to see if they can provide more information to the board.

All-Levels Rides

Eric W spoke about the possibility of planning All-Levels rides that visited other nearby trail systems in Dothan, Croom, Suwanee, San Felasco, etc.

Loblolly

R Shoop brought up erosion on Loblolly. Discussion was had regarding attempting to fix vs reclassifying to an intermediate trail. No decisions were reached.