

Black Forest Trails Association – Annual Membership Meeting

29 September, 2016

Board Members Attending

Larry Fariss
Cheryl Pixley
Andy Meng

Barb Remy
Diane Hoover
Steve Eckmann

Carolyn Brown
Nancy Reinhardt

Others Attending

Dana Nordstrom – EPC Parks Community Outreach Coordinator
Sue Wilson, Bruce Gallatin – BFTA members

The meeting was held at the R&R Coffee Cafe and commenced at 6:00PM.

Dana presented a summary of recent and planned activities in the North District (thanks, Dana!):

- BF Section 16: Liberty HS Senior Service day will be Oct 19; about 150 kids. Scheduled FEMA improvements: 1.5 mile resurfacing SW trail & parking lot. Also adding french drain on west side of parking lot.
- BF Section 16 & BFRP: trail repair plans to be completed by December.
- About \$330,000 of 1A money allocated for trail repair & reconstruction work to be done in 2017.
- Public services, Baptist Rd: new roundabout and improvements at New SF Trail trailhead.
- BF Section 16 vault toilet: replacing door and toilet seat; gunshot holes. EPC Parks should consider installing a surveillance camera. BFTA advocates expediting repairs because current situation reflects badly on the community.
- BFRP: tennis courts resurfaced; pavilion posts have water damage that will be repaired soon.
- Pineries OS: Mile-High Youth Core did some fuel and ladder thinning. VOC did lots of work. FEMA work completed. EPC Parks hoping to start Phase 1 of Master Plan Spring 2017: trailhead and tier-1 trail.
ACTION: Larry to reiterate to Elaine Kleckner that this is BFTA's highest priority .
- FRRP: Stella entrance paved. Some repairs & replacements have been done in improved areas. More fire mitigation has been done. Dog park has been enlarged (with Heuberger sponsorship).
- Falcon RP: Mile-High Little League paid for baseball fields. Dog park coming. Other work delayed in the vicinity of the fields to avoid risking loss of contractor-provided maintenance of fields.
- Rock Island Trail: significant trailhead improvements completed.

Meeting Minutes

- Steve presented minutes from the 7 July, 2016 meeting. Motion by Barb to accept, seconded by Andy, accepted by unanimous voice vote.

Treasurer's Report

- 33 new members signed up this year; most at the BF Festival.
- \$333 donation from St. Patrick's Catholic Church for Juel's bench; another \$30 donation also received. \$500+ received to date; goal is \$600.
- \$608 received to date for Ike's bench; fully funded.
- \$750 received to date for Hank's bench; beyond fully funded.
- No separate bank accounts for each bench; Andy tracks them.
ACTION: Andy to take the two fully funded benches off website so we don't get more donations.
- Andy summarized our financial status: balances and cash flow all good.

- **Andy moved that BFTA pay \$10/month for Quickbooks online**, replacing the old laptop and Quicken he has been using. Diane seconded. Passed by unanimous voice vote. Will pay annually.
- Website hosting cost will be due soon.

Old Business

- Our Lady of the Pines trail
 - No activity to report.
- Bridge on the Judy V trail
 - No activity to report. Still a high priority for BFTA.
- Thompson Trail
 - Aside: Meadow Glen to Forest Heights: a new property owner is supportive of having an easement trail like the Fariss trail.
 - No significant action.
- Juel's bench
 - Completion and dedication TBD; his bench will be up the hill to the east of the improved area, facing west.

New Business

- BF Festival
 - 20 new regular members and 3 new life members.
 - Very good attendance and enthusiasm.
- Fariss Trail grand opening
 - Held today; about 15 neighbors attended. BF Fire Dept attended; very well received by neighbors and Fire Dept.
 - Non-motorized, unpaved connectors like this are (should be) a high priority for BFTA.
- 2016 BFTA Election Results
 - Slate of officers and board members up for election all elected unanimously:
 - President: Larry Fariss
 - VP – Administration: Cheryl Pixley
 - VP – Government: Carolyn Brown
 - Secretary: Steve Eckmann
 - Treasurer: Andy Meng
 - Board Member: Barbara Remy (2-year term)
 - Board Member: Diane Hoover (2-year term)
 - Board Member: Nancy Reinhardt (2-year term)

Additional Business

- Next BF Section 16 cleanup day is scheduled for 29 Oct, 9am-11am. Backup date is 5 Nov.
- Ryan Tryca is looking for an Eagle Scout project.
ACTION: Andy to forward request to Larry, who will follow up with Ryan.
- Next meeting scheduled for Thursday, 10 November 2016 at BF Community Center.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM.