

Black Forest Trails Association – Board of Directors meeting

10 May, 2017

Board Members Attending

Larry Fariss
Diane Hoover
Andy Meng

Carolyn Brown
Nancy Reinhardt
Steve Eckmann

Cheryl Pixley
Barb Remy

The meeting was held at the BF Community Center and commenced at 6:35PM.

Meeting Minutes

- Steve presented minutes from the 8 March, 2017 meeting. Motion by Carolyn to accept with no changes, seconded by Andy, approved by unanimous voice vote.

Treasurer's Report

- We are in good financial condition
- Membership count: 48

Old Business

- Botolin Trail – Larry Fariss
 - Larry is coordinating with Dr. Botolin; we need signs for the trail; Suzy Witter is an interested neighbor.
- BFRP and BF Section 16 Trail Repairs/Relocations – Larry Fariss
 - BF Section 16 – EPC has resurfaced about 1¹/₃ miles going west from trailhead with roadbase, and also installed new culverts. No more major trail work is planned at BF Section 16 this year. EPC will turn their attention to BFRP now.
- Free Membership for Private Trail Landowners – Larry Fariss
 - **ACTION: Larry to send trail owner list to Andy.**
 - **ACTION: Andy will create a new membership category “Landowner” or “Trail Owner” to track these free memberships.**
- Trail Name Signs – Larry Fariss
 - **ACTION: Larry to send list of trail names to Andy.**
 - **ACTION: Andy will get the signs made.**

New Business

- BFT Grant Trail Cleanup – Larry Fariss
 - Nancy Trosper of Black Forest Together contacted Larry about joining a grant proposal. Larry will try to get our request added, for private trail repairs (e.g., the McDermott Trail and the Judy V Trail may be good candidates).
- New Trail on Mark Bissel Property – Larry Fariss
 - Karen Marchman has arranged a meeting / site visit, for Larry; the trail needs horse “gates” and signs; it links Vollmer to Park Forest.
- Friends of HRRP – Larry Fariss
 - Concert on June 10.
 - This Friends group has a [web page](#); we are cross-linked both ways.
 - Considering Larry's suggested project to build side trail to bluff, with picnic table and hitching post.
- TOSC survey
 - Larry completed it on behalf of the BF Section 16 Friends group (the BFTA).

- BF Section 16 cleanup
 - Cleaned 2 miles of road and the whole trail; Andy is going to clean the trail again because there is already a lot of trash again, especially in the trail construction zone.
 - **ACTION: Nancy will mention the trash problem to Dana or Elaine when she calls them about trail repairs (for her newsletter article).**
 - **ACTION: Cheryl will contact Nathan Robinson again about dog waste signage.**
- Summer Newsletter – Larry Fariss
 - President’s Corner – **Larry** (private trails, new and old; signs; free membership for easements and trails)
 - Dog poop (at BF Section 16) – **Andy**
 - Pineries Open Space update – **Andy**
 - Palmer Lake trails reopened – **Larry**
 - BF Section 16 trail repairs – **Nancy**
 - Newsletter should go out by June 15, so **articles due to Andy by 30 May.**
- BF Festival – Larry Fariss
 - Andy reserved a booth for the August 12 Festival.
 - We need T-shirts but not hats, and we need medium, large, XL, and 2XL sizes; Andy will send a proposed design to the BoD for approval before ordering.
 - We will coordinate other details at the July BoD meeting.

Additional Business

- **ACTION: Andy will look at putting a renewal year or code on mailing labels so Cheryl knows who should get renewal form inserts in their newsletters.**
- Next meeting scheduled for July 13, 2017 at 6:30pm at BF Community Center. But Larry will try to reschedule for July 11 or 12 (Tuesday or Wednesday)

Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.