

## Black Forest Trails Association – Board of Directors Meeting

10 July 2019

### Board Members Attending

Larry Fariss  
Nancy Reinhardt  
Steve Eckmann

Cheryl Pixley  
Diane Hoover

Andy Meng  
Rich Mock

### Board Members Unable to Attend

Gordon Limb

Barb Remy

The meeting was held at the BFCC, and commenced at 6:32 PM.

### Meeting Minutes

- Steve presented minutes from the May 23, 2019 meeting. Motion by Andy to accept with one edit: change Jeremy Symes to Jason Meyer. Seconded by Nancy and approved by unanimous voice vote.

### Treasurer's Report

- Gordon could not attend, but reported via email that we have \$24,983.62 in the bank following the \$10k plus a few additional members/renewals. We have 27 lifetime members and 66 annual/current members

### Old Business

- Free Membership for Private Trail Landowners
  - Deferred
- Botolin Trail Signs
  - Deferred
- Trail Name Signs
  - Deferred
- Gates on Mark Bissel Trail
  - Deferred
- Red Tail Ranch
  - This is a high priority. Larry will ask Gordon to lead the effort to acquire a legal trail easement.
  - Related: Burgess to Chipmunk trail was blocked recently. No trail easement is recorded. For future reference, we should try to acquire a trail easement/deed to safeguard access whenever we coordinate opening of a trail on private land. Cheryl noted that we do have a legal easement on the Thompson property, but not on the McDermott property.
- Winsome Ranch (was McCune Ranch)
  - Nancy read excerpts from an article in the July issue of the Falcon Herald. The developer has proposed zoning changes.

## Ongoing Business

- Retreat at Timber Ridge – Larry Fariss
  - In early June, Larry and Cheryl talked with Ross Williams and Jason Meyer about the 4 acres and \$10,000 for improvements. No progress since then. Larry will follow up with Ross or Jason.

## New Business

- 2019 Elections – Larry Fariss
  - Rich suggested that, for a change, we should try to have our annual meeting at the BF Brewing Company. Rich will try to work that with Donovan Routsis.
  - Whether we go to the Brewery or back to R&R Cafe, Larry will invite John Anderson to give a short talk and sell/sign books.
  - Proposed date: 17 September. Social 5-6:30pm, meeting at 6:30 until 8pm.
  - Slate of officers to be on ballot – no proposed changes from this year:
    - President: Larry Fariss
    - VP – Administration: Cheryl Pixley
    - VP – Government: Andy Meng
    - Treasurer: Gordon Limb? Larry will ask him
    - Secretary: Steve Eckmann
  - Board members in the first year of two-year terms, so not up for re-election:
    - Barb Remy, Diane Hoover, Nancy Reinhardt
  - Board members up for re-election:
    - Rich Mock
  - Start online election on website 1 September, continue until a day before meeting.
  - **ACTION: Andy to post announcement soliciting board members**
  - Motion by Rich Mock after the meeting: "I move that BFTA provide each member in attendance, at our General Membership meeting, with a \$10 credit toward their food and drink bill payable to Black Forest Brewing Company at conclusion of the meeting."
    - Larry seconded the motion and initiated an email vote.
    - Voting in favor: Larry Fariss, Rich Mock, Andy Meng, Diane Hoover, Steve Eckmann
    - Voting against: none
    - The motion passes with five votes in favor.
    - As an implementation detail, Rich suggested that the \$10 credit be provided in the form of a card to be applied to a BFTA tab, to be settled after the meeting. This would simplify administration of the credit.
- Summer News Letter – Larry Fariss
  - President's Corner – article on Friends groups – **Larry**
  - Trail etiquette – **Nancy**
  - Business article on Brewery? – **Rich**
  - Culturally Modified Trees – **Larry** will ask John Anderson for a short article
  - Susie Witter eulogy – **Nancy**
  - BFTA History – Nancy already wrote it; **Andy** has it and will use it if space is available
  - **Dates: submit articles to Andy by 20 July; publish by 30 July**
- BF Festival – Larry Fariss
  - 10 August
  - Andy and Steve do setup at 0700
  - 8-10am shift: Andy, Larry, and Steve

- 10am-1pm shift: Cheryl and Diane; possibly Rich
- 1pm-2:30pm shift: Gordon? and ? is Barb available?
- Andy will return for teardown
- Andy will do inventory of hats and shirts; he will order more if needed
- Andy will print more maps and newsletters if we don't have enough

**Additional Business**

- Nancy raised the question of trail closure at Greentree. This is the same closure referred to as "Burgess to Chipmunk trail" above. Nancy and Cheryl/Andy will try to visit the property owners in late July or early August.
- Next meeting is scheduled for 17 September at 6:30pm at either R&R Coffee Cafe or BF Brewing Company.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.