

**TRAILS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 19, 2018**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: {NOTE (absent) IF MEMBER DID NOT ATTEND MEETING}

Charlie Brown - Lifestyle and Outdoor Recreation Manager
Nancy Luerhing - Board Liaison
Laurie Hartshorn - Chairperson
Carmelita Skoglund - Vice-Chair
Pam Hartman - Secretary (absent)
Janet Rowe - Acting Secretary
Neil Rowe
Paul Bernard
Susan Holick
Connie Larsen

VILLAGE VOICE:

Lewis Delevan

GUESTS:

None

CALL TO ORDER:

Laurie Hartshorn called the June meeting to order at 1:33 pm.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Approved by Susan Holick and seconded by Connie Larsen.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Approved by Paul Barnard and seconded by Carmelita Skoglund.

COMMITTEE CHAIR COMMENTS:

Laurie Hartshorn stated that work is being done to get budget approval to free up monies for projects.

BOARD LIAISON PROJECTS:

Nancy Luerhing commented that she enjoyed the site visit to the Hernando West section of the trail system. She addressed delinquency issues and assessment collecting efforts by the POA. She spoke to the issue of the pool, tennis courts and the upcoming plans of implementation of the CMP.

STAFF LIAISON PROJECTS:

- Charlie Brown thanked all committee members for the work they do on the committee.
- 90% of the trail signs are completed with the refurbishing project. He asked that members bring attention to signs on their trails that might have been missed.
- RV Park slated for work starting in October
- Spoke about the parking lot to be placed by the Marina on Coronado.
- Equipment - expressed hope that Recreation would be able to borrow the roller again to help grade the trails.

- Trail maintenance guidelines being worked on and he asked for volunteers to assist with this project.
- Brush hog is out of commission for maintenance.
- POA is currently trimming, pruning and spraying along the trails.

COMMITTEE COMMENTS:

- Friends of the Trails/Newcomers:
 - 15 newcomers at the last meeting/ 11 organizations represented
 - No one joined the Friends of the Trails.
- Trail Promotion:
 - Connie Larsen has written a draft discussing sharrow on the roadways and their relationship concerning bicyclists. Susan Holick stated she would assist with the article and getting it submitted to the Voice. Connie offered to send out an email to bicyclists concerning bicycle concerns and would forward a picture to Susan of the sharrow for the article.

Event Coordination:

- Janet Rowe discussed geo-caching and pointed out that although there are geo-caches throughout the Village, there are none dedicated on one single trail. She stated that her grandson is volunteering to put together a geo-cache on the Cedar Creek Trail and hopefully an event involving the geo-caches can be planned for some time in October.
- Charlie Brown spoke to the Stars and Stripe Event at the Balboa Spillway on July 1st. He asked for volunteers - registration is at 3:45 and water station sites need to be manned by 4:15
- Charlie Brown spoke about the site visit and that some erosion was found and that some methods of prevention are being found acceptable and others are not.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Cedar Creek - 40' bridge is in need of some maintenance/repair. The bridge was originally build by the Audubon Club, discussion was held about the possibility of financial help, etc. with the repairs, rather than a replacement it will be reviewed to see if it just needs re-bracing rather than replacement.
- DeSoto Spillway Trail - bridge needs to be replaced. Discussion was held about the possibility of volunteers (Friends of the Trails) assisting with building a new bridge.
- Interpretive Walks - discussion was held about planning additional walks, possibly seasonal, Spring and Fall.
- Capital Projects - Budget - Stacy Hoover would need to address what would be considered a Capital Project.
- Improving signs on the Cooper Reserve Trail.
- Pam Hartman will be tasked with checking along her section of trail for crosswalks that need to be marked.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Paul Barnard stated that the installation of the new tree tags is almost complete. 185 tree tags have been installed since the inception of the project and there are only 15 left to tag as of this date. He has added almost 200 more than previously tagged.

- Charlie Brown stated that the wooden stairs on the DeSoto multi-purpose Trail will need to be steam cleaned as there is no accessible water source in the immediate area to complete the task. Recreation will be looking at hiring a contractor to complete the work.
- Susan Holick brought up the issue of the area of DeSoto multi-purpose Trail near mile marker 1 in reference to who is responsible for the maintenance of the grounds to either side of the trail. Is it POA property, Cooper Reserve or privately owned? If privately owned, does the Compliance Division need to be notified and contact the owners?

ADJOURNMENT:

Move to adjourn by Neil Rowe, seconded by Janet Rowe. Meeting adjourned at 2:58 pm.

Next meeting is July 17 at 1:30 p.m.