



**TOWN OF OAK RIDGE
MOUNTAINS TO SEA TRAIL COMMITTEE MEETING
OCTOBER 22, 2024 – 6:00 P.M.
OAK RIDGE TOWN HALL**

Minutes

Attendees: Martha Pittman, Joel Deaton, Bill Bruce, Stephanie Farrell, Mike Kimel, Randy Schmitz

• **PROJECT UPDATES**

- **Headwaters (Joel)** – Trail made it through recent storms in good shape. Some minor maintenance has been done in last couple weeks. Check on drainage. Need to check Pepper section for a bit of drainage maintenance.
- **Next Phase- Linville Rd. to Town Park/ Carriage Cove and Pemberley Estates** – Still waiting on parking confirmation. Scout projects (x3) are intended to start this fall (3 bridges) – final trail build and signage are waiting until parking is confirmed.
- **MST Campsite** - Scout project to improve campsite – approved by parks and rec.
 - i. **Kiosk (Mike/Anne)** – Map concept presented to show local items relevant to hikers. – This would go on back. Front might be dedicated MST globally – opportunity to educate.
- **Discussion of Proposal to Record Committee Meetings** - We discussed. Committee does not like it. We strongly oppose.

• **REPORTS**

- **MST Liaison (Joel)** MST is coming out of Hanging Rock. Much work to be done WNC.
- **Manager's Update (Bill B)** -see above in next phase. Cascades **Map** for kiosk has been updated by town staff. Matt Wallace at Guilford county said we can update/redo kiosk as needed
- **Conservation Easement Committee Update (Stephanie)** Purchase of blaylock property on east Harrell is going to happen. Beeson property is still in progress
- **Community & Outreach**
 - i. **Update (Randy)**
 - ii. **Guided Hikes at Cascades** – not now
 - iii. **Facebook Page** – not now
 - iv. **Volunteer Appreciation Picnic/Patch (Mike)** – Explore at a later date in Spring. Maybe after a work day?
- **Trail Work Days – Nov 9th**