



TOWN OF OAK RIDGE MOUNTAINS TO SEA TRAIL COMMITTEE MEETING APRIL 27, 2021 – 6:00 P.M. VIRTUAL MEETING MINUTES

Present: Bill Royal, Bill Bruce, Joel Deaton, Anne Steele, Mike Kimel, Stephanie Ferrell, Randy Schmitz, Martha Pittman, (Wyman Wilson – OR citizen guest)

AGENDA

WELCOME

PROJECT UPDATES

- **Riverside (Joel)**
 - i. Last work day successful (13 people). Bridge is finished
 - ii. Need a small scraping of vegetation; raise trail bed a bit in wet area;
- **Signage Plan (Mike) and Trail Marking**
 - i. This Friday OR FC will get a photo op at Linville road trailhead and emergency marker system is active.
 - ii. 4 temp signs purchased to explain rescue marker system (\$53.87). Plan to install this week.
 - iii. Given potential for parking area and trail in Fall 21 – need to think of kiosk (and update kiosk on goodwill church)
 - iv. Directional signs still need to be finalized.
- **Outdoor Adventure Day (Aug 28 2021)**
 - i. Terry Lannon will hopefully join next meeting for update
 - ii. Explore idea of kids activity
- **Haw River Rd./ Pepper Rd. Sidepath and Linville Rd. Parking Lot**
 - i. Bill Bruce update - Job for path and parking area is advertised. Bids due to town on May 19 2021. Hopeful to have bids to town council for June meeting. Ideal Fall 2021 opening
- **Next Phase- Linville Rd. to Town Park**
 - i. Small group met at Haw at Linville. North bank of Haw seemed to logical choice to progress trail east along haw
 - ii. Meet Thurs May 14 @8:30a.m. to scout north bank

REPORTS

- **MST Liaison (Joel)**
 - i. Approval for 18 mile trail in belews lake
 - ii. Palmer is trying to set up a Guilford County trail advocate meeting.
 - iii.
- **Manager's Update (Bill B)**
 - i. See above items
- **T-shirt Sales Update**
 - i. No update
- **Community & Outreach**
 - i. Need to invigorate outreach. Plan for July 10 outreach at OR music in the park
- ii. **Guided Hikes at Cascades**
 1. Wait until parking situation coalesces.
- iii. **Facebook Page**
 - **Committee Membership**
 - i. Continue to recruit

- **Trail Work Days**

- i. See note in Riverside – Potential dates one Saturday and one week day Sat May 15 and Wed May 26.

OTHER

- Anne and Bill did interview with NW Observer At-Home insert
- Update as to March meeting with Summerfield Trail group – shared potential connection routes.