

JC Trail Users

Notes from March 13, 2019 Meeting
Subway on Edgewood

Attending: Janeen Osborne, Celeste Koon, Kathleen Henley, Lori Henley, Trish Rielly, Tim Rielly

1. Kathleen Henley reported the treasury has a current balance of \$127.70. One new membership was received. Kathleen had done a lot of work on the tax form and found out how to file it. One more step has to be completed since this is the first time the organization has filed, and then she will be able to send in the information.
2. Celeste reported there are now at least 103 active members in the Facebook group, which is a good number when the group makes comments on a particular project like the Rock Island Trail.
3. Celeste will send emails in the next couple weeks to our current members who have paid dues asking them to renew their memberships.
4. The city received 22 emails and 4 letters supporting the extension of the greenway from where it ends now on Creek Trail Drive over to Edgewood. The support for the extension helped and the city is now reviewing more options for the route.
5. A lot of work was done recently on the Frog Hollow trail following the big snow storm. About 45 or 50 trees were down and they have been removed from the trail. However, recent high winds may have brought more down. Work will continue with lopping and the digging repair of a few turns.
6. Serve JC will be held on April 27. This is the day that people assist with maintaining city parks. Once again, volunteers will be recruited to work at Frog Hollow. Kathleen and Lori Henley will lead the work group this year.
7. ORTA is still waiting on a notice to proceed for the grant they have been awarded. Then two new trail sections will be constructed at Binder and the dates for trail work sessions will be determined.
7. The kids Scavenger Hunt will be held in Washington Park on Sunday, May 5 at 1:30 p.m.
8. A potluck picnic at Memorial Park will be held on May 11 from 11:30-1:30.
9. Celeste is going to meet with Todd Spalding, the City Parks director, about the possibility of a new trail behind the fire station on East McCarty St.

10. The Rock Island Trail discussion continues. The state has asked for an extension until August 20, 2019 to make a decision. The group discussed the various considerations involved in making a decision. A bill has been introduced in the legislature to allow funds for the trail's development to be held in a special account. It was noted that MoBikeFed had obtained Sen. Blunt's support for the acquisition of the first part of the Rock Island Trail.

12. The next meeting will be from 6-7 pm on April 10, 2019 at Subway on West Edgewood.