Jefferson City Trail Users

Notes from the September 16, 2020 Meeting Outside Subway on West Edgewood

Attending: Janeen Osborn, Celeste Koon, Lori Henley, and Kathleen Henley

1. Kathleen Henley reported the treasury balance is now \$439.70 thanks to additional dues and payment for a picture being received.

2. Celeste reported there are currently 193 members in the Facebook group.

3. Since the festival for the annual fundraiser was cancelled, Celeste has been posting outdoor trail pictures for sale on the group's Facebook page, but only two have sold. Celeste will try posting pictures to online groups as well as the Trail User's group.

4. Eight people attended the Get Acquainted Hike at Eagle Bluffs on September 13 and all had a good time. A hike at Painted Rocks will be held on Saturday, October 10. Meet at the Eastland McDonalds parking lot at 10 a.m. or at the Painted Rocks parking lot at 10:30 a.m. The November hike will probably be at Frog Hollow to identify trail improvements that are needed.

5. It was noted that ORTA members have been working hard at Binder on the east side of the lake where a mile of new trail is being added.

6. The trail condition signs are not in place yet though they are being prepared.

7. Celeste thanked some city staff in person for their work on Dunklin St. by the greenway when the new Dunklin St. bridge was dedicated.

8. Frog Hollow maintenance has been going well and the trail is in good shape. The trail maintenance session normally held on the third Sunday of the month is being cancelled because only a small amount of weed-eating needs to be done. Lori and Celeste will go ahead and do that.

9. Celeste reported that she had found some pretty plants beside two local trails—and they were invasive. The flowers look like native plants but in studying the leaves, the plants are not. Before trail work next spring, the group will consult with Linda Vogt about preparing a handout for workers with pictures of species that should be cut out.

10. Discussion was held about the big improvements that Missouri State Parks has made to the Katy trail between Jefferson City and Hartsburg. This section has been repaired and fixed up after the flood. The group decided to send a letter to Missouri State Parks thanking them for the work the staff has done.

11. The next meeting date is October 14, from 6-7 pm at Subway on West Edgewood.