

Jefferson City Trail Users

Notes from the June 9, 2021 Meeting
At Last Flight Brewing Co.

Attending: Lori Henley, Celeste Koon, Stephanie McClerran, Janeen Osborne, Jane Lester, Mike Lester

1. Kathleen Henley had a dental procedure that afternoon and could not attend, but she sent a report. The Treasury has a balance of \$750.67 and all of the expenses for the Trails Less Traveled Challenge have been paid. Dues have been received from many of the members who paid them last year, but not all. Celeste will follow up.

2. There are currently 323 members in the Facebook group.

3. Alexis Kerman from Parks says that 97 people have registered for Trails Challenge so far. Some packets and t-shirts are left and people can still register. This will be announced. Participants have been posting pictures on the Facebook page for the Trail Challenge. Mike Lester obtained two more sponsors: Carrie's Hallmark Shop and Samuel's Tuxedos and Gifts. No more sponsors are needed.

4. A Get Acquainted hike to Ha Ha Tonka will be held on June. 12. Meet at 8:30 am at the Lottery Parking Lot on Bubba Lane, which is behind Schulte's. Bring a lunch. Expected return will be about 2:30 pm.

5. Frog Hollow trail work will be held on June 20 from 4:00-5:00 pm. So far about 2 miles of the trail have been weed-eated. Weed-eating will also be needed at the Binder Lake trails. There has been a lot of rain.

6. Two letters recently appeared in the paper suggesting that the city greenway plan be updated and a greenway be constructed to go into Riverside Park. The Parks director also mentioned in a recent article that it would be nice to have a way for bicycles to get to the new amphitheater. The group consensus is that all these things would be good.

7. Parks has also been doing more work in Washington Park. Vegetation has been removed between the ice arena and Vivion ballfield, making the park more attractive and providing a nice view of the creek. However, the houses for the feral cats are ugly and look out of place. Celeste will draft a letter thanking Parks for their work and requesting the houses be moved. The location is not a good one for feral cats since they carry diseases.

8. Members of the group helped clean up litter on the Katy Trail for National Trails Day on June 5.

9. Discussion was held about the Greenberry Acres Trail. No one at the meeting was very familiar with the trail and whether increased usage would be a good thing or not. Members are encouraged to go look at it.

10. It was decided to see if Mayor Tergin would want to conduct the drawing for the Trails Challenge prizes on July 31. McClung Park and Community Park were suggested as locations because they have pavilions.

11. It was noted that there is no pavilion beside a greenway except at Community Park. There was brief discussion about the need for pavilions and playgrounds in Washington Park and at Binder Lake.

13. The next meeting date will be July 14th from 5-6 pm at Last Flight Brewery.