Jefferson City Trail Users

Notes from the September 15, 2021 Meeting At Last Flight Brewing Co.

Attending: Lori Henley, Celeste Koon, Kathleen Henley, Janeen Osborne, Jane Lester, Mike Lester, Brandy Bergthold, Rick Thom, Amy Hedrick, and Kevin Schwartz

- 1. Kathleen Henley reported the Treasury has a balance of \$544.42 following the fundraiser at the Fall festival and a membership renewal. The group decided to donate an additional \$300 to the JC Parks Foundation for signage at Binder Lake.
- 2. There are currently 365 members in the Facebook group.
- 3. The Fall Festival fundraiser was successful with the group raising \$175 from selling photos and donations. About 39 pictures sold and 59 are left. The booth space was an excellent location and has been renewed for next year. Several ideas were mentioned for next year. These include selling trail mix, selling plant containers with fossil rocks and succulents in them, adding more variety to the pictures, selling larger photos that would be wall size, and seeing if famous nature photographers would donate pictures. Various people are interested in helping with these ideas and will explore them more. Some pictures that sold will be reprinted.
- 4. Rick Thom's report on the Greenberry Acres trail was discussed. All appreciated his thorough narrative and photos. Three recommendations will be added, and after Rick reviews the report another time, it will be sent to Parks staff.
- 5. The next Get Acquainted hike will be held on trails between Riverside Park and the Lewis and Clark State Office Building. Meet at the Lewis and Clark Building on Riverside Drive at 11 am on Sunday, October 17. The November Get Acquainted hike will be on November 14th at Rock Bridge. Meet at 11 am in the Devil's Ice Box parking lot.
- 6. Frog Hollow trail work will be held this Sunday, September 19, from 4:00-5:00 pm. Meet at the main parking lot on Edgewood. Bring loppers to lop the first uphill section again. Brandy Bergthold will be the leader.
- 7. Celeste will send out the Volunteer signup list for the NICA race at Binder Lake on Halloween.
- 8. A discussion was held about the budget that the City Council recently approved and issues that arose affecting city Parks and Recreation. The group will pay attention to future developments and make phone calls or write letters as needed to support city Parks.

- 9. Comments will be submitted from the group to the Missouri Conservation Department supporting the use of bicycles on roads in Conservation Areas. The official comment period is October 1-31.
- 10. The next meeting date will be October 13th from 5-6 pm at Last Flight Brewery.