

# Jefferson City Trail Users

Notes from the March 8, 2023 Meeting  
Last Flight Brewing Co.

Attending: David Crenshaw, Theresa Buhr, Les Fortenberry, Amy Hedrick, Molly Bryan, Celeste Koon, Janeen Osborne, Brandy Bergthold

1. Kathleen Henley sent a report that the treasury has a balance of \$441.93. A couple people paid dues and there was a donation. The group learned about the GiveDirect electronic process for dues and donations to be sent in. Celeste will follow up to see if this will be possible since all agreed that the electronic transfer of funds is a good idea. Once this is known, she will send out the annual request for people to renew their memberships, or join, and send in dues.
2. There are currently 823 members in the Facebook group.
3. The next Community Hike will be held this coming Sunday, March 12. Participants will meet at the Riverside Park pavilion at 1:30. There will be both an easy greenway hike and a strenuous hike through the woods. The April hike will be on April 23 at 2:00 at Frog Hollow. The May hike will be on May 21 at 1:30 p.m. and go to the Deborah Cooper Riverfront Park and near the Capitol. More details to come. Molly Bryan with Jefferson City Parks is promoting the hikes.
4. Molly showed the group an updated postcard piece for Jefferson City Trail Users. All agreed it was very attractive and a good improvement. Several suggestions were offered about how it could be used.
5. Molly also presented information that she prepared about the 2023 Trails Less Traveled Challenge and the group agreed the new approach would be good. She had prepared attractive handouts and those present were asked to comment on them. In addition, an email will also be sent out and people can comment though March 14<sup>th</sup>. Celeste will forward the email from Molly since additional people are interested. Discussion was held about prizes for those posting pictures of their hikes. Those in attendance liked a gray bag with a strap.
6. New signs are up at Frog Hollow and some trail work will be done later after consultation with Kevin Schwartz. There will probably be a service project at Frog Hollow on April 22<sup>nd</sup> as part of the Serve JC day. In the meantime, lopping plants that stick out or removal of bush honeysuckle is encouraged.
7. The group agreed to use dues and donations this year to improve a kiosk at Binder Lake or to have one installed at Frog Hollow.
8. Two letters were sent on behalf of the group in support of city grant applications related to the Greenway and these were reviewed.

9. Those in attendance were reminded to read about city council candidates and their views, particularly on JC Parks funding, before the election in April.
10. The new trail at County Park was mentioned but no one knows who is working on it.
11. The fall fundraiser was discussed and Amy Hedrick suggested painted clay pots might be used. She will investigate where to obtain these at a reasonable cost and others will look for them too. Several people have plants they are willing to donate.
12. The next meeting date will be April 12, 2023 from 5:00-6:00 pm at Last Flight Brewing Company, 738 Heisinger Road.