

Jefferson City Trail Users

Notes from Meeting – August 16, 2023
Last Flight Brewing Co.

Those attending the meeting were Lori Henley, Ben Hinz, Aaron Mealy, Les Fortenberry, Julie Allen, Celeste Koon, Susie Bryan, Theresa Buhr, Kevin Schwartz, David Crenshaw, and Kevin K.

1. There are currently 22 paid members and there is \$730.30 in the group's checking account.
2. Facebook membership has grown to 1.2K.
3. The Community Hike on the greenway was enjoyed by about 15 people last Saturday evening. The next Community Hike will be on September 16 at 1:00 pm at Frog Hollow. The October Hike will be at 2:00 pm on October 15 on the greenways in and around Riverside Park.
4. A Get Acquainted Hike will be held on September 4 at 10:00 am at the Pine Ridge Picnic Grounds east of Ashland.
5. A cleanup at Binder Lake is apparently planned for September and our members may want to participate. More details will be announced when the cleanup group publicizes them.
6. Kevin Schwartz reported that more will happen in regard to a map of the trail system and the kiosk improvements during the fall and winter. He introduced Kevin K (didn't get spelling of his last name) who is a new Parks employee working on greenways and trails. Ben Hinz with parks was present too. The Parks staff has been working hard, and spent a lot of time cleaning up and chainsawing after recent storms.
7. The changes to the recreation area in North JC were discussed due to MODOT's decision to put an entrance ramp to 54 where the commuter parking, playground, and former pavilion are located. Celeste will draft a letter for the next meeting with the suggestions of those present. More suggestions for MODOT and/or JC Parks in regard to the recreation area are welcome if anyone has them.
8. The annual fundraiser at the Fall Festival at the fairgrounds will happen on September 9. Celeste will be scheduling members to help with the booth where nature and outdoor pictures are sold. If you want to volunteer, call her at 573-644-3199.
9. The City Council has begun meeting on the next fiscal year's budget. A funding decrease for Parks could be a concern, but one has not been specified yet.
10. The next meeting will be September 20, 2023 at 5:00 pm at Last Flight Brewing Co.