JCTU Meeting Summary

February 21, 2024 Last Flight Brewing Company

Attending: Brandy Bergthold, Les Fortenberry, Julie Allen, Kathleen Henley, Celeste Koon, Mike and Jane Lester, Aaron Mealy, and Theresa Buhr

- 1. There are currently 24 paid members and there is \$910.34 in the group's checking account. Kathleen Henley, the treasurer, reported that she filed the appropriate federal form for 2023 with the IRS.
- 2. The number of Facebook followers is over 1.5 K with many new members living outside the Jefferson City area. This means local trails are being in many locations.
- 3. Thanks in part to many members sending emails, the JC Parks Commission accepted at \$500,000 grant for federal funds administered by MODOT for the Boggs Creek greenway on the east side of town.
- 4. The group briefly reviewed a summary of accomplishments and activities from April 1, 2023 to the present. Comments should be sent to Celeste by February 28. The summary will be used to ask members to pay dues. (Bring cash or a check to the next meeting if you want to pay your dues without mailing them.) A suggestion was made to print membership forms and distribute them at the Earth Day event on April 21. Celeste will print the postcard forms.
- 5. Dues will be used this year for kiosk improvements at Binder and possibly Edgewood. The group's contribution will be used for lumber and other materials. Kevin Schwarz is working on getting kiosk repairs and maps made for the kiosks.
- 6. The Trails Challenge was discussed. Molly Bryan has taken a different job recently and Parks may not have a staff person to continue the Trails Challenge this year. Julie Allen will contact Parks to investigate the possibility.
- 7. The February Community Hike will be on February 24 at 1:30 pm on the Lincoln greenway. Meet at the Linc parking lot by the roundabout. The March Community Hike will be on March 17 at 1:30 at the Root Canal trail at Binder Lake. The April Community Hike will be on April 14 at 1:30 pm at Green Berry Acres.
- 8. The upcoming city council elections were discussed. The survey replies from city council candidates will be put on Facebook and the group's website in the first part of March.
- 9. Celeste asked those attending to bring any suggestions for priority greenway segments to the next meeting.
- 10. The next meeting will be March 1, 2024, from 5-6 pm at Last Flight Brewing Company.