

Jefferson City Trail Users

February 19, 2025 Meeting Summary
Zoom

Those attending were Brandy Bergthold, Celeste Koon, Mike and Jane Lester, Rick Thom, Brian Collett, Veronica Mecko, and Karen Dunkle.

1. Kathleen Henley sent a treasury report showing \$276.30 is still in the account after the group donated \$1,200 to Jefferson City Parks in December for kiosks and signs at Binder Lake. There are 25 members who have paid dues.
2. There are 3,184 followers and 1,022 visitors for the group's Facebook page. (We don't know how Facebook determines these categories.)
3. The next Community Hike will be held at 1:30 pm on March 9 at the McClung Park hiking trail. Meet near the outdoor picnic pavilion. Celeste and Ben Hinz worked on a proposed schedule of Community Hikes through August. Jane Lester proposed a wonderful route on April 6 for the hike near the Lincoln greenway. Celeste will work on the revising the hike's description with Jane and Ben, and send a revised schedule to all. The dates of Future Community Hikes have been listed in the JC Parks program guide. The dates of Community Hikes for the next few months will be March 9, April 6, May 4, June 7, July 12, and August 9.
4. A Get Acquainted Hike will be held on April 5 at Prairie Garden Trust. If the weather is bad, the hike will be postponed to April 19.
5. Celeste had emailed materials that Ashley Wiskirchen from Parks has prepared for the Trails Challenge 2025. Celeste will meet with Ashley next week to discuss these a little more and find out about the prizes that the Trail Users might provide. If anyone has comments, they can send those to Celeste.
6. Celeste had emailed a draft list of the group's accomplishments during the past year to group members and asked for additions and changes. Those can be sent to her. The list will be used in asking people to pay dues again when the membership year starts on April 1.
7. Celeste had emailed the responses from the candidate survey sent to the newcomers running for the Jefferson City Council. The responses in regard to questions about the importance of trails and parks will be posted on Facebook and the group's website in early March.

8. The group sent letters to Dru Buntin and David Kelly thanking them for their support of the Rock Island Trail.
9. Celeste will publish links to help people find trails as soon as it gets warmer. Rick Thom suggested a new link to be added to those mentioned in the past.
10. The next meeting will be March 12, from 5-6 pm at Last Flight Brewing.