

Jefferson City Trail Users

January 14, 2026 Meeting Summary
Last Flight Brewing Co.

Those attending were Julie Allen, Celeste Koon, Kathleen Henley, Les Fortenberry, Kent and Laura Moreland, and Brandy Bergthold.

1. Kathleen reported the treasury has \$885.30. There are currently 22 members who have paid dues for the year which started April 1. Kathleen was going to file the group's tax form but the IRS reporting site did not permit that when she tried. She will try again.
2. After discussion, it was decided to change the membership year to a calendar year since that would be easier for the Treasurer. A suggestion was made that efforts to obtain renewals should begin each year in October and this will be tried.
3. Celeste has set up a Zelle account at Central Bank for dues and donations. So far no one has used Zelle to contribute. However, not too many people are aware of this option.
4. There are a total of 6,503 followers and visitors for the group's Facebook page.
5. The next Community Hike will be on Sunday, February 1, on the greenway near Creek Trail Drive. Meet at the parking area closest to Edgewood. A longer hike will also be possible by continuing on to Capital City High School. The March Community Hike will be on March 8 at 1:30 at Washington Park. *Meet at the tennis courts.*
6. Raking at Frog Hollow did not happen in November or December due to frozen ground on the dates planned. The next few days will be too cold for this. New dates will need to be proposed to rake debris off the trail since about 1.5 miles remains to be raked. Laura and Kent want to go too and they will be notified in advance.
7. The group had previously discussed the lack of greenways on the east side of Jefferson City, and the need to call attention to this issue. Mike Lester had suggested sending the East Side Business Association a letter to see if they would like a presentation after the first of the year about Jefferson City Trail Users and greenways. Celeste sent a letter and hasn't heard back yet if a presentation will happen. Rick Thom will also attend if he is in town.
8. Thanks to a good suggestion, Celeste will feature trail segments on Facebook as "The Jefferson City Walk of the Month".
9. The group decided to survey City Council candidates again this year since there are two contested races. Celeste will work with Mike Lester and Rick Thom to revise the survey questions and get them mailed out.
10. Recreational Trails Program grant applications are due in February. David Bange is considering an application that would construct a greenway along Southwest Blvd. from Southridge to

Our Savior's Lutheran Church and those attending though this would be good. Julie Allen also mentioned the need for a greenway segment on Old Lohman Road near a new subdivision.

11. Those in attendance thought it would be beneficial for the residents of Elston to have a park with a trail, though that might not happen.
12. The new Wildwood greenway is open and being used. A couple more steps have been completed that might lead to the Boggs Creek greenway being possible.
13. Thanks to Ashley Wiskirchen with JC Parks, the Trails Challenge will be held in May. More will be discussed at the next meeting.
14. Julie Allen related that some members of the City Council have suggested that the Jefferson City Trail Users be recognized at a meeting. No date has been planned yet, though the group agreed if this happens in April, the Trails Challenge could be promoted.
15. The next meeting will be **Wednesday, February 11**, from 5-6 pm at Last Flight Brewing Co.