



BIG SKY COMMUNITY CORPORATION

Trails Committee Meeting Minutes February 21, 2007

The Big Sky Community Corporation Trails Committee met on February 21, 2007 at AM in the BSOA Conference Room. Committee members in attendance included: John Leeper (Chair), Jeanne Johnson, Steve Johnson, Ryan Hamilton, Pete Bolane, Bill Oslon and Josh Heller. Kate Halloran was in attendance representing the staff.

1. Call to Order

John Leeper, Chair called the meeting to order at 9:13 AM.

2. Minutes

John asked if anyone thought that changes were necessary for the January Meeting Minutes; John had one change on the wording of the motion, he said he would give the changes to Kate. There were no other changes.

3. Report on Spur Road Trail (Greg Benjamin) – In Bill Olson's absence, John informed the committee that the Memo of Understanding between the county and us, had been sent to the state; now we are just waiting to get it back from the state.

Greg told John that the metal portion of the bridge was under construction and should be in before May 31, 2007

4. Committee Reports

- a) **New Trails/Master Planning/Easements** – Denise Schmidt and Barry Margetts are currently on vacation.
- b) **Maintenance** – Steve Johnson was unable to attend the meeting
- c) **Donation Collection** – John showed the committee the agreement letter with Mindy's corrections, to be used for donation canister placement.
- d) **Finance/Budget/Grant Writing** – John Leeper informed the committee that he had finished the 3 Rivers Grant application and submitted for \$5,000.
- e) **USFS Liaison** – Bob Donovan was not present
- f) **Maps/Signage** – Pete Bolane said that both Grizzly Outfitters and the Hungry Moose ok'd donation canisters being placed at their locations; he will also be speaking with Jamie Kabisch of the MVCCOA regarding Meadow Center canister locations. John specified April 14, 2007 as the target date to install the canisters.
- g) **Public Relations/Fund Raising/Events** – Tracy Jacobson will be stepping down as chair of this sub-committee due to maternity leave; Jeanne Johnson and Margaret Leeper will be the new co-chairs. The committee discussed the upcoming party at the Simkins Showroom. Ryan reminded the committee that Towncenter HOA has offered \$1200 to help cover food and beverage

costs. The committee is thinking a Friday night in June would be the best bet for a good turnout; a raffle was also suggested to raise some money and get some more interest; Josh suggested something like a golf pass. John noted that we will need to run ads in the local papers and put a survey together for input on the trails and new suggestions at the party.

- h) **Spur Road Trail** – Bill Olson talked to the Conoco, however we do not know the result of that conversation yet.

5. New Business – John said that he and Steve would talk to Herb Davis of LMR regarding future plans for LMR.

6. Next Meeting – The next meeting of the Trails Committee will be Wednesday, March 14, 2007 at 9 AM in the BSOA conference room.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:51 AM.