

Rail 66 Country Trail

Meeting of the Board of Directors

April 19th 2024 – 4:00p.m.

Present: Vince DiStefano, Al Lander, Sue Patton, Trudy Alexander, Ken Gilbert, Bill Moore, Tim Huebert, Kathy Linnan.

1. The meeting was called to order at 4:00p.m. by President, Vince DiStefano.
2. **Elections:** Board members Vince DiStefano, Trudy Alexander and Greg Borland are up for reelection for a three year term. All agreed to be nominated. Elections will take place at the annual membership meeting.
3. **Minutes of Previous Board Meeting:** The minutes of the board meeting from November 14, 2023 were distributed by email. Tim motioned to approve the minutes followed by a second from Al. All approved.
4. **Financial Report:** Sue presented a document for the financial report. Net income for January 1 to April 18, 2024 is \$7,082.38. Total liabilities and equity are \$1,336,690.01.
5. **Trail Update:** Bill presented information regarding the most recent activity on the trail.
 - a. Trail cleanup day will occur by the end of April. A message will be sent out and the six teams from last year will be contacted.
 - b. Greg contacted the Boy Scouts for the cleaning of the caboose. Tim noted that he saw two young boys on top of the caboose. Options to improve safety were discussed.
 - c. There is water on the trail near the Snydersburg crossing. Ken mentioned several ways to resolve this issue.
 - d. There are 13 gates that have been painted and reinstalled. Eight additional gates are currently at the prison being repainted.
 - e. Signage for road crossings is currently being discussed with Penn Dot and Donna Oberlander.
 - f. IA is prepared to repair trail cracks with sealant at no cost.
 - g. Ken is working on removing tree roots that are affecting the trail
 - h. Equipment to maintain the trail is currently in good working order.
6. **Bike Trail to Knox:** Al has been in contact with Anthony McBride and has worked out a solution for extending the trail around the McBride property. The Bundy property is currently for sale by Brian Burford. We now own the trestle that was previously owned by Kovalchick. Al will attend a meeting on May 13th at 5:30 regarding the proposed road abandonment in Elk Township.
7. **DCNR Signs:** Ken will install the signs provided by DCNR.
8. **Fundraisers:**
 - a. Time Trial Bike Race to be held on June 8th. Ken will coordinate volunteers that will be placed at all road crossings. Kathy has volunteers who will work at the registration table. Tony Linnan will post signs that indicate a section of the trail will be closed on June 8th.
 - b. The 5K race will be organized by St. Joe's School and will be held the weekend of July 4th.
9. **Lumber Heritage Sign:** Trudy reported that she will get the sign when it is finished. It will be installed at the Marianne trailhead.

- 10. Road Signs for Safety:** Ken noted the need to post road sign names at all road crossings. It was suggested that the road name could be added to the current “no motorized vehicle” signs.
- 11. Brochure Printing:** Vince stated that PA Great Outdoors is no longer distributing our brochures. There is no need to print additional brochures at this time.
- 12. Bicycle Raffle:** All agreed we will hold this fund raiser at ALF again this year.
- 13. Annual Membership Meeting:** The annual meeting will be held on Sunday May 19th at 6:00p.m. at the Lucinda Antler Club.

All moved to adjourn the meeting followed by a second from Tim. All agreed.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Linnan
Secretary