

## Greenbelt & Trails Committee Minutes

Thursday, September 7, 2023, 6:00 PM  
Crow's Nest (no hybrid)

### Members:

Dean Dyson  
Sandy Nelson  
Tamra Ingwaldson (Excused)  
Sue Klemp (Excised)  
Mary Ann Wagner  
Allen Sande  
Dan Richter  
Guests: Phyllis Antonsen, and Kristi Gray

Moved by Mary Ann and seconded by Allen to accept the August minutes. Motion passed with no nays.

### 1. Trails- update

Trail from Penzance to St. Andrews, it was requested that this trail needs to be repaired by adding more gravel. After looking at this trail, it appears that a lot of old gravel has been pushed to the side of the path by golf carts and other vehicles and maybe all that is needed is to rake what gravel that is there back onto the path.

There are several paths that blend into neighboring driveways and properties making them difficult for members to find. The committee is looking into signs and some kind of markers to help members identify them.

The committee discussed creating trails in greenbelts especially in Divisions IV & V so that in an emergency people would have other options to get out of those Divisions if the one roadway in and one way out were blocked. More about this later in the meeting.

### 2. Litter Pick-up

The next litter pickup event is scheduled for Saturday September 23<sup>rd</sup>. The volunteers should meet at the Inn parking lot at 9:00 AM to get gear and directions.

The signs to be placed along Mason Lake Road stating that Lake Limerick members are doing the litter pickup will be put in soon.

### 3. Dog Park – update

An estimate of what it might cost to put a possible bridge over the drainage ditch has been received, of just over \$5000.00.

Dean has inquired about having a survey done with Survey Monkey asking the direct question of the members as to their thoughts of having a dog park in the community that could be done without adding to the current budget. Other topics could be added to this survey as the BOD deems necessary.

On a related topic, it was brought up by Dean to recommend the sale of Division 2, Lot 100 and using these funds to do improvements on Div. 2, Lots 101,102 &103.

**A Motion was made by Sandy and seconded by Mary Ann to urge the BOD to consider selling the property Div. 2, Lot 100 and the funds used to provide improvements on the other three adjacent lots 101, 102 &103. This could mean a possible dog park or another need of the community.** The motion passed with no nays.

#### **4. Planting new trees along Mason Lake Road**

The planting of trees in the greenbelt along Mason Lake Road is awaiting rainier weather this fall. Dan will be checking with the nursery we plan to get the trees from.

#### **5. Wildfire prevention**

The committee needs to continue reminding members that they can contact the Mason Conservation District to get a personal evaluation of their property on the best ways to prepare for wildfire prevention. Contact Margaret Kreder at [mkreder@masoncd.org](mailto:mkreder@masoncd.org). or (360) 427-9436 x 102.

#### **7. Emergency Management**

The committee discussed planning for emergencies in Lake Limerick from the need to boil water to a wildfire. It was thought that a siren or sirens could be used to get the attention of all people in Lake Limerick so that they should check in with the various LLCC communication centers to see what the problem is and what actions are needed to be safe. Emergency Planning is being looked at by this committee because it may be possible to use greenbelts as alternate escape routes if our one way in and out roads of some divisions are blocked for some reason. Recent events have shown that this is a community need.

**A Motion was made by Sandy and seconded by Allen to form a sub-committee on Emergency Management. The committee would be tasked with finding ways to communicate emergency situations to the community in the shortest time possible. Also, to create plans to deal with all kinds of possible emergencies.** The motion passed with no nays.

Kristi Gray has volunteered to chair such a committee. If approved by the BOD, all those interested in serving on this committee please contact Kristi.

While discussing this topic it was discovered that Allen Sande taught Survival Skills classes for many years. This may be something that could be done here in connection with emergency planning.

#### **8. Salmon Talk**

Last year we had a successful Salmon talk at Anglia Park during the salmon migration up Cranberry Creek. The committee discussed whether to have Scott Steltzner back to give the talk again. The salmon also go up Johns Creek at Bay Shore and over two weekends in early November docents (Sue Klemp is one) give talks on the salmon and may even have underwater cameras to view the fish.

Next months meeting will be on October 5<sup>th</sup>

Submitted by Dean Dyson

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