

SW Trails PDX
Monthly Meeting Minutes

April 25, 2019

The Watershed Building in Hillsdale
6388 SW Capitol Hwy
Portland OR 97239

Attendance: Doug Rogers, Don Baack, Dave Manville, Lee Buhler, Barbara Stedman, Brian Brady, Britta Gordon, Jason Bergstrom, Chris Mays, Dennis Brown, Debbie Small, Hans Steuch, Barbara Bowers, Derrell Ness

Doug called to order at 7:03pm

Agenda: After introductions Lee made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of a discussion of trail mapping, Marquam Park and the treasurer position. Don seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Minutes: Don made a motion to approve the March 28, 2019 minutes with with link to budget. Debbie seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Next month's SW Trails Hike announcement: Lee will lead the May hike. It will be through Tryon Natural Area. Dave will lead the June hike. Britta volunteered to handle hike coordination.

Coffee and Stroll: Debbie said the May walk is on the 18th and will go to the frisbee park. Don will lead the June walk.

Next month's Work Party: Dave said the work party will be on May 2. They have not set the location yet.

Treasury report: Chris said there is a total of \$26,736.18 in the bank with \$2292.20 income year-to-date and \$926.79 expenses

Membership: Barbara reported following:

Members: 37
Donors (over \$10 up to \$99): 14
Sponsors at \$100: 9
Sponsors at \$300: 1
Sponsors at \$1,000: 1
(includes matching grant of \$500)

Social Media: Barbara said there were 519 followers on the SW Trails Facebook page.

Website: Britta said the website is in transition. By the end of the week it should be on the new hosting site. There will be some changes but there are more to come. Britta asked that people send photos for the website.

Updates: Doug said the public draft report for Southwest in Motion has been released. Comments will be accepted until May 24th. Don discussed several of the project ideas and changes. Doug talked about the Ped PDX planning process. Don said PED PdX goes to council on June 5th. The SWIM project will go to Council on June 19th. Don suggested that we write a letter to council about pedestrian issues and that SW has the least amount of sidewalks in the city. **Lee made a motion that Doug is authorized to write a letter to advocate for the needs of SW Portland. Debbie seconded the letter and the motion passed unanimously.**

Fiscal Sponsorship Committee: Doug said they found documents about what it means to be a fiscal sponsor and discussed them at the committee meeting. As a 501c non-profit we have to follow specific rules. As fiscal sponsor we are responsible for the groups that we sponsor and we have to keep track of funds received and spent. All money going in and out has to go through the SW Trails bank account. Dennis asked how much control the project leader has over the project. Doug said the project leader has control as long as it follows the rules the project description. If not, the SW Trails board must approve the changes.

GIS Mapping: Brian had done a lot of work on mapping he displayed maps of trail sections. ODOT is doing some work on the I-5 ramp and a section of trail is closed. It will be closed from the 15th of May to the 1st of July. Don and Brian mapped an alternative route. SW Trails maps are at <https://swtrails.maps.arcgis.com>. The mapping system also has elevations. People can map their routes and see the elevations. Brian displayed a brochure about SW Trails. It shows maps for trails 1-7. Brian displayed a spreadsheet on PED PDX projects. Don discussed the projects and some of the issues with them. Brian displayed a map of the projects. Don suggested inviting the SW Connection to our June meeting to see what we have done in mapping southwest.

Advocates Corner: Don said he has a meeting with Commissioner Hardesty. Don said he has asked for a meeting with PBOT to discuss the SWIM project. He suggested a meeting with commissioner Eudaly to discuss PED PDX. Don said there was a meeting about trail indemnity and they have backed off on the perpetual indemnity for SW Trails. Don said he talked to Nick Falbo the director of the SWIM project about increasing the funding for the projects. Barbara Stedman suggested leveraging projects with other projects such as paving.

Project Status: Dave displayed the bridge that was destroyed by a driver on 45th adjacent to Woods Park. Friends of Woods Park funded the repair of the bridge. Dave and a crew repaired the bridge. Dave displayed pictures of the construction. It is 6 feet from the road.

Don said the Friends of Marquam Park as requested that SW Trails rebuild a couple of sections of trails.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:44pm

Submitted by

Lee Buhler