

# **GMF TRAILS COMMITTEE MEETING**

## **April 14, 2016 - Mucky Duck Restaurant- 6 pm**

# **MINUTES**

1. Chairman Dick Bratton called the meeting to order at 6 PM sharp.
2. Attendance: Rocco Blasi, Dick Bratton, RJ Brown, Claudia Eley, Mike Lohman, Tom McCormick, Jan Smith, Gordon Wines, Ricky Truesdell (late).  
Absent: Myrna Wey. 10 out of 11 member were present.
3. Agenda Approval- **M/S Wines/Lohman** Passed 9-0.
4. Approve Minutes of last meeting (Mar 10, 2016)-**M/S Eley Smith** Passed 9-0.
5. Public Input- None
6. **PROGRESS**
  - Mar 2 Gordon Wines took GPS Readings for alternate sites for the Spiritual Platform on Mount Dewey.
  - Mar 5-6 Gordon Wines Hiked Horseshoe Trail and took GPS readings for a detour around private property. He plotted the GPS waypoints on a NGS TOPO map.
  - Mar 15- The Chairman made a map showing an alternate detour route.
  - Mar 17- Wines hiked Mt. Dewey to mark more possible sites for the Spiritual Platform.
  - Mar 22- The Chairman submitted a draft Mt. Dewey Hiker map to Jesse Stroope, HGMFF, for review and comment.
  - Mar 27 The Chairman submitted an improved version of the Mt. Dewey Hiker Map to HGMFF.
  - Mar 31 The Chairman submitted a revision to the Mt. Dewey Open Space Master Plan to HGMFF with three maps showing a proposed new Belvidere Canyon Trail for Stroope review and comment.
  - Apr 3** Claudia Eley and Jan Smith did work to clear a problem on the Thomas Trail.
  - Apr 7** Phander and Christainson hiked the entire loop from Mount Dewey to Catamount Trail taking continuous GPS readings and removing 2 logs across Catamount Trail
7. **TRAILS WEBSITE**- Mike Lohman reported 97 hits on the TC web site today. He also has revised the web site map to show the Horseshoe Mountain detour.
8. **TRAILS WORK PLAN AND SCHEDULE FOR 2016.**

Assignment of Trails Maintenance a Safety Inspections was moved up to this meeting.

An additional work day was added on Sat June 25. This make a total of 6 work days for 2016.

**M/S Wines/Eley to approve the revised schedule.** Passed 9-0
9. **TRAILS CONSTRUCTION PROJECT PRIORITY LIST for 2016-2026**

The Red Devil Mountain Trail was moved to Priority 2 to take advantage of a recent initiative by Karen Watson, a landowner at 10340 Cheyenne St.

**M/S Eley/Truesdell to approve the change.** Passed 10-0

10. Maps- We have run out of maps again. Mike Lohman has finished revisions to the TC Hiker Map and it, has been given to the printer to make 500 copies. Our records show that we have printed 7,700 maps over the past 4 years. A sign on the map box at the Lake Street trailhead says "Please take only one map per hiker group." So the actual number of hikers far exceeds that 7,700 figure.
11. **PRIORITY TO DO LIST**
  - Work on Horseshoe Mountain detour.
  - Seasonal Trail Safety & Maintenance Inspections & Corrective Work
  - Obtain approval of the Belvidere Canyon Trail.
  - Obtain Easement for Red Devil Mountain Trail
  - Construct a new trail along the east shore of Gazebo Lake.
  - Update Mount Dewey Master Plan to include all 4 parcels.
  - Complete the Mt. Dewey Hiker Map
  - Mount Dewey Trail- Recommend location of benches
  - Participate in the design process for the Ute Pass Trail Regional Trail.
12. **OTHER-**The Chairman received a nice call from Eldon Cornish 475-1728, a member of a senior hiking group. He raved about the improved new Mount Dewey Trail and wanted to thank the Trails Committee for the all the hard work to provide a new enjoyable trail experience for their group.
13. **NEXT MEETING-** Thurs **May 12** 6:00 pm at Mucky Duck.
14. Adjourned at 7:33 PM

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Dick Bratton, Chairman

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