

GMF TRAILS COMMITTEE MEETING

June 8, 2017- Mucky Duck Restaurant- 6 PM

MINUTES

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Dick Bratton at 6:28 PM.
Attending: Dick Bratton, Claudia Eley, Jan Smith.
2. Agenda Approved- M/S Eley/Smith. Passed 3-0.
3. Minutes of last meeting (May 11, 2017) approved. M/S Smith/Eley. Passed 3-0.
4. Public Input- Items not on Agenda. None.
5. **PROGRESS**
 - May 11- The Chairman worked with RJ Viers, DPW to move rocks and gravel from Oak Street and Maple Street to Conn Trail using a skid loader.
 - May 13-14- Rocco Blasi, RJ Brown, and Gordon Wines participated in a two day training course on Trail Design conducted by Outdoor Stewardship Institute at the Mount Evans Center.
 - May 18-19 Greg Pfander and Mike Christianson constructed 110 LF of rock retaining wall along the Conn Trail.
 - May 20- Trails Work Day #1:** 29 Volunteers improved the Conn Memorial Trail which runs along Catamount Creek from the Post Office to the Swimming Pool. Workers included Verna Bruner, the new GMF Town Manager. The volunteers used wheel barrows and buckets to move 5 tons of granite rocks and 16 tons of gravel for backfill. The crews also removed tree branches and other debris from Catamount Creek. Cost \$ 1,502.00
 - May 20- Greg Pfander and Mike Christianson removed two 24 inch diameter logs that were blocking the Thomas Trail and also obliterated a social detour.
 - May 24- Rocco Blasi, Gordon Wines, and RJ Brown hiked up Dewey Mountain to place Station markers and red flags along the corridor for the new Bratton Trail.
 - May 31-June 1 Greg Pfander and Mike Christianson built two rock walls on the Bratton Trail.
 - June 3- Trails Work Day #2: National Trails Day:** 25 Volunteers constructed 1,300 LF (Lineal Feet) of the new Bratton Trail from Catamount Trail up Mount Dewey. Cost \$410.00.
 - June 5-9 Mile High Youth Corps-** Constructed 1,300 LF of the new Bratton Trail from Mount Dewey toward the Catamount Trail. The construction was inspected by Technical Advisors Rocco Blasi, Gordon Wines, and RJ Brown. Workmanship was excellent and efficient under the supervision of Crew Leader Paige Adams. Total contract cost paid for by Historic GMF Foundation.
6. **WORK DAY #3-** Procedures were discussed.
7. **ANNUAL TRAILS SAFETY and MAINTENANCE INSPECTIONS-** Claudia Eley and Jan Smith submitted a report with photos on their inspection of the Kirkpatrick Trail. Four trees were found across the trail. A chain sawyer will be sent to clear the trail. Only one trail left to inspect- (The Catamount Trail).
8. **TRAILS WEBSITE-** Mike Lohman. We need to find someone to take over webmaster duties for the Trails website.
9. **TO DO LIST**
 - Complete Annual Trails Safety & Maintenance Inspections

Prepare for ok Day #3

Participate in the design process for the Ute Pass Trail Regional Trail.

Mount Dewey Trail- Recommend location of benches

Obtain Easement for Red Devil Mountain Trail

10. NEXT MEETING- Thurs JULY 13, 2017- Mucky Duck 6 PM

11. OTHER- Claudia Eley and Jan Smith volunteered to serve as a guide for the Green Box hike on the new Bratton Trail on July 4.

12. Adjourned at 7:00 PM.

ALL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

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