August 2022 Minutes

**Chehalem Heritage Trails Advisory Committee**

**MINUTES**

**August 10, 2022 | 6pm**

Attend either in person on-site at CPRD Admin Office
or remotely via Zoom: [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89157263898](https://www.google.com/url?q=https://www.google.com/url?q%3Dhttps://us02web.zoom.us/j/89157263898%26amp;sa%3DD%26amp;source%3Deditors%26amp;ust%3D1660182041737410%26amp;usg%3DAOvVaw3QgRMHmVLJIvJ3gsBOaCiJ&sa=D&source=docs&ust=1660182041745631&usg=AOvVaw3BPbKf2khFWDhidbyrJ7Ms)
Meeting ID:

Green – in person

Blue – via Zoom

Red – communicated absence

*Committee Members: Jill Bilka | Erin Chen | Michelle Colvin | Quentin Comus | Matt Dolphin | Kristina Ernstrom | Allen Holstein | ​Lisa Jackson | Kimberly Lanier | Lacy Mendoza | Bob Oleson | Justin Patterson | Martin Peters | Cindy Riggs | Erin Robinson | Peter Siderius | ​Dustin Wolfe*

*Board Liaisons: Bart Rierson | Jim McMaster | Lisa Rogers*

*Others: Todd Albertson*

1. Call to Order
2. Attendance Roll Call
3. Public Comments ([see summary at end of minutes](#PublicComments))
4. Sub Committee Reports (if there is any new news)
5. Discuss an action plan for trail signage, rules and regulations to be consistent
6. Rilee property is a specific focus
* People speaking regarding equestrian/bike and issues with multiuse
* Hikers are neutral – aren’t going fast
* Stub Stewart, Chehalem Ridge, Oregon State Research Forest, Cathedral Park in Grants Pass, examples
* Terrain – open v. forested
* Jim – this group needs to review the rules and regs and then make a recommendation to the Board.
	+ How inclusive should it be?
	+ Chehalem Ridge – share trails but visibility is good
	+ Safety is important for CPRD
	+ Rules and signage need to be updated need a subcommittee to move on it.
* Width of trail matters too
* What happened to the farmhouse? And people who wanted to use it – concerns about nature
	+ Site analysis of the property – company was hired to prepare
* Request to have an equestrian representative
* Jim – 2-3 people to work on signage district wide – will be some generic group = Jill wants to follow up by email to get the group together
	+ Design
	+ Generic Rules
	+ Simplicity
	+ Is there a conflict with the County
* Hoping to get those regulations within a month or 2 – Gettman is an example for signage
1. Review ideas for current ways to support or offer recommendations to CPRD
* Pause sub committees
1. Assess where and what signage may be needed on current trails
2. Website Updates/SEO
3. Volunteer Projects/Tasks
* Projects = notify the committee – we could get some volunteers organized
1. Community Engagement
2. Community Surveys
3. Create committee to go over past survey with Don
4. We lead survey, more detailed than last
5. Recommend improvements/repairs needed
6. Funding/Levy (when needed CPRD will let us know)
7. Future CPRD Board Meeting (4th Thursday of the month) Participation
8. Appoint CHTAC member to attend/report
	* Jill will follow up via email
9. Send information to Kat/Don to be added to agenda – don’t need to email we’re on every meeting – if we need to be moved up – then it can be done on the fly at the meeting – any materials need to go to Kat in advance (2 weeks before is preferred) so she can make it part of the packet
10. Future Field Trip Ideas*(if there is interest)*
11. Conclude Chehalem Heritage Trails Advisory Committee 7pm

We will discuss moving the meeting time next meeting.

Bob & Crystal Rilee Property Feedback

COMMENTS FROM EQUESTRIANS THAT FREQUENT BOB AND CRYSTAL RILEE PARK

* Have been riding trails for 4 or 5 years since it was turned over to CPrd
* Are wondering when signs will be put up
* Concerns about altercations with bikers, scaring horses, thinking they can go wherever they want and that they are multi use trails
* They said Casey said signs would be going up and would delineate bikes on one side, horses on the other
* They were told our committee has the power to say what trail usage would be and wanting to know what plan is
* East side has been closed down to horses
* Lack of horse trails makes this important to protect
* History of these trails was this it was always horses
* Addition of use other than horses was once CPRD got access
* Currently no signs indicating that bikes aren’t allowed on west side
* West side should be for horse use only (precovid that was it’s use)

COMMENTS FROM BRIAN BOWMAN RE: BIKES

* Parett Mountain Rd is boundary
* Bikers have been putting in some single track trail for cyclists to use
* NICA Lake Oswego team/West Linn team/Sherwood team have used the park for the last few weeks on Thursday evenings at 6pm
* The whole park should be for everybody, but there should be areas that are separate for safety

JIM MCMASTER COMMENTS

* In beginning it was equestrian use
* Cycling has become more popular and has been requested for use
* Confirmed that CHTAC’s purpose is to make recommendations for trails.
* A focus group needs to be formed to look at rules and regulations and make suggestions to board based on that to establish rules and signage for consistency across all trails

OVERALL SUMMARY OF ACTIONS NEEDED BASED ON PUBLIC COMMENTS

* Signage is needed to indicate usage in certain areas
* Look at modalities and terrain to determine safety
* Make distinction between single track and wider paths
* Hikers are neutral zone – horses and bikes may need to be on separate trails
* Examples Of Other Multi Use Trails For Reference: Willamette Mission, Stubb Stewart, Oregon State Research Forest McDonald, Silver Falls is starting to, Chehalem Ridge, Cathedral ?