

# Chehalem Heritage Trails Advisory Committee

## MINUTES

June 14, 2023 | 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Attend either in person on-site at CPRD Admin Office  
or remotely via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89157263898>  
Meeting ID: 891 5726 3898

Green attended in person – Blue attended via Zoom – Black not in attendance

Committee Members:

Michelle Colvin  
Quentin Comus (Chair)  
Matt Dolphin  
Allen Holstein  
Kimberly Lanier

Committee Members (Continued):

Bob Oleson  
Martin Peters  
Cindy Riggs  
Erin Robinson (Secretary)  
Peter Siderius

Board Liaisons:

Bart Rierson  
Jim McMaster

CPRD Staff:

Casey Creighton  
Kat Ricker  
Bryan Stewart

Brian Bowman – also in attendance

- I. Call to Order
- II. Attendance Roll Call
- III. Approval of May Meeting Minutes – Moved – 2<sup>nd</sup> and approved
  - o See Appendix A
- IV. Public Comment Period

*Public participation in Chehalem Heritage Trails Advisory Committee meetings is encouraged. Those interested may submit written comments to [kricker@cprdnewberg.org](mailto:kricker@cprdnewberg.org) or provide oral comments at a public committee meeting. Those wishing to provide oral comments will be provided a set amount of time determined by the Chair at the beginning of the meeting during the designated public comment period. This public comment period may last up to a maximum of 10 minutes.*

*Brian Bowman – appreciates the trail work day – great to get the students out to work with the NIKA program*

- V. Work Party Reflection (Quentin)
  - o Martin - 85 signed in – blazed some trail – trail maintenance – bark dust
  - o Cindy – promoted
  - o Matt & Marty did lots of on site work – Brian Bowman helped coordinate
  - o CPRD team was a great help
  - o Was a wonderful success
  - o Casey – wants to thank the Committee and the organization
  - o Great introduction to trail work – and to see the park
  - o Matt – would like to work with 12 or so people every quarter or so

1. Equestrian folks are also interested in work on their side
  2. We could also consider additional parks
  3. We should focus less on bike v. equestrian – because everyone can work together for trails – Kat has lots of names of equestrian folks
  4. We could use more tools – PPE for trail maintenance etc.
    - a) Bryan can take care of that – Matt will coordinate
- Michelle – we need more brochures for Wednesday Market – ask Kat – Cindy says she will pick up more before next week
  - Quentin’s roommate has completed some maps – to be continued
  - Casey – Wednesday June 21, 6pm at Chehalem Cultural Center Master Plan for the Rilee Park Master Plan

#### VI. Community Trails Survey Update (Quentin)

- See Appendices B and C
  1. Quentin – has talked to many people and is satisfied with the content of the survey –
    - a) Sees issues with the Yamhela Westsider Trail
    - b) Is the right time – we need to ask the community the issues that will allow us to bring the community together
    - c) Quentin would plan to present this to the board
  2. Casey – recommendation is to go and ask the board – there could be room in the budget if the board wants to pursue
    - a) Yamhelas Westsider’s Trail – people didn’t talk
  3. Matt – is impressed with the thoroughness of the report
    - a) Concerns – great idea but not sure on timing
    - b) Why put the money and resources into this
    - c) Sat with farmers – have some valid concerns and also don’t
  4. Erin – mirrors Matt’s concern
  5. Bart – wait and take the temperature – he would now like to retract previous statement after listening to Quentin’s speech
- Potential Motion: Recommend to the CPRD Board of Directors that CPRD administer the CHTAC Community Trails Survey as (Option A/Option B) presented in the CHTAC Community Trails Survey Proposal.
- Motion – to table this until October, 2023 – and seconded - FAILED
  1. Yay – 2 Nay- 3 abstain - 2
  2. Quentin – people are coming from all different aspects – strategic engagement
    - a) There are ways with the software regarding response and who those people are
    - b) Closed survey – simple random sample of the 30,000 CPRD residence can complete the survey once through the mail

3. Erin – I need more specific information about how this will be an accurate survey – I am also not convinced that this survey will convince anyone to sway from their ideologies
4. Marty – temperature and space – but knowing that they have already shared it with new board members – recommend the survey in June – but pause on the specifics until July
  - a) Vehicle that incoming board could hear from the community
5. Cindy – would like it before the new board rather – and they do want to spend the money on it
  - a) What about reaching out to the commissioners?
    - (1) Quentin has talked to Jason about a line of communication to the commissioners
6. Brian Bowman – propose a survey every 4-6 years to get a census of the community regarding trails – CPRD taxpayers could have a voice
7. Matt – would like more time to look at the questions and make some amendments – great idea and feedback but the power to sway and convincing groups is uphill
  - a) Pushing things at this point won't make things more comfortable

o Motion – to table this until August 9, 2023 – and seconded - PASSED

o Yay – 6 Nay – 0 Abstain - 1

1. Quentin – what if we reschedule our meeting for July.
2. Erin we should attend the CPRD board meeting – in lieu our meeting on July 12<sup>th</sup> we should
  - o We will cancel our July 12<sup>th</sup> meeting and attend the CPRD board meeting on July 12<sup>th</sup> special session – at 6pm

#### VII. In-Person Trail User Survey Preparations (Quentin)

o Motion – to table this until August 9, 2023 – and seconded - PASSED

o Yay – 7 Nay – 0 Abstain - 0

- o See Appendix D

#### VIII. Public Awareness and Outreach Campaign Discussion (Quentin)

- o Draft CHTAC Website: [www.chtac.org](http://www.chtac.org)
- o See Appendix E
- o Quentin – basic outline of an idea – theme – common phrases that work for all
  1. Funding available for students to be bused to parks – good fieldtrip opportunities
  2. Community Fairs
- o Bart – an opportunity Old Fashioned Festival Booth – informal surveys
- o Michelle – families – schools
- o Cindy – we need more volunteers in the committee to do outreach

#### IX. Board of Directors Meeting Report (Quentin)

- o Quentin did attend and speak in May – Newberg Graphic had an article
  1. Cancellation of LUBA out of concern of taxpayer funds

2. Trail funding is an issue
3. Allen made a comment in May
4. Michelle – we should post any pictures on social media and website to tell the community what was done
5. Cindy – Wednesday Market has lots of enthusiasm

X. Adjourn – 7:58pm

**Important Reminders/Notes:**

- Wednesday, June 21, 2023: Bob and Crystal Rilee Park Master Plan Open House at the Chehalem Cultural Center Ballroom at 6 p.m.
- Thursday, June 29, 2023: CPRD Board of Directors Meeting at the CPRD Administrative Office and on Zoom at 6 p.m.
- Wednesday, July 12, 2023: CHTAC Regular Meeting at the CPRD Administrative Office and on Zoom at 6:30 p.m.