

TRAILS AND PATHS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES -Tuesday January 10, 2017.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 8.15 am.

Roll Call: Present: J. Coleman, B. Eckstein, E. Ferrari, A. Doherty, S. Gold, G. Hanning, T. Lee, J. Shefren, M. Rothrock, H. Young: Public Works Director.

Oral Communication: J. Coleman mentioned that at 325 Cervantes, a section of the trail has eroded and needs repair as big rocks are showing. S. Gold showed her book on "Trails" by a Canadian author and thought it would be interesting for the Committee. H. Young said that the Town Manager wants to visit all the Committees, to check-in regarding volunteers, budget issues and inviting feedback.

T. Lee expressed gratitude for our full Committee and that our members regularly appear at the meetings. E. Ferrari brought up the pipe at 185 Meadowood putting water on the town trail. This is at a new house construction site. G. Hanning says Shady Trail needs addressing as the logs put at the edge of the trail are sustaining damage with the dirt being undermined by the rains.

Approval of Minutes: J. Shefren made a motion to approve the minutes of December 13, 2016, J. Coleman seconded and all were in favor.

Old Business: a) Trail Work and Budget Update (135 Cherokee): H. Young says some fallen trees on trails have been removed. It was noted that the 'Trails Closed' notice was posted on the town website, under Town News, and not on the Trails website. Thanks to S. Gold for uncovering this. H. Young says monies on repairs and trails will be spent when things dry up. At that time, spraying will ensue.

b) J. Shefren put 'No Bike' signs up at selected locations and they were taken down. B. Eckstein talked to E. Hollander and they were exasperated, too. M. Rothrock asked why bikes were not allowed on trails. It was pointed out that it was a matter of safety and in the town's general plan, there were standards for building trails that were single track and trails which were multi-use, including bicycles. It was suggested by H. Young, that metal No Bike signs be put up for a season and see how that fared. The Committee was urged to go and seek out 3 or 4 different locations to erect these metal signs and report back to the Committee at a future meeting. The town trail post at Ladera is not in a visible location and it was suggested that it be moved. The current post is also covered by branches from the trees.

c) Season Trail Closures: E. Ferrari reported that she had closed all the single track trails to Equestrians for the wet season and asked that it be put on the website.

New Business: a. Site Development plans (Alpine Inn): G. Hanning met with the town re. the horse hitching Post at Alpine Inn. It was suggested that the number of horse spaces be reduced to 16. The old metal hitchrack currently there should stay. 2 separate hitchracks to accommodate 4 horses each should be added at a different angle on either end of the present hitchrack for the safe tying up of horses. An email will be sent to Arly Cassidy, the new Associate Planner, and Debbie Pedro, explaining this and thanking them for

allowing our Committee to review the plans for the Alpine Inn Beer Garden renovations. B. Eckstein, J. Coleman and G. Hanning will go to the site and take a look. We can also look into the history of the Inn and whether horses were involved, such as being a stage stop.

E. Ferrari also added that the trail along Alpine Road needs work to the retaining wall and replacing the broken boards in the fence. This is located in front of Rossotti's.

b. Accolades:

Other Business: None

Adjournment: J. Shefren made a motion, S. Gold seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 9.25 a.m.