



TOWN OF PORTOLA VALLEY
Trails and Paths Committee Meeting
Tuesday, October 19, 2021, 8:15 AM

Special Videoconference Meeting via Zoom

SPECIAL VIDEOCONFERENCE MEETING AGENDA

Remote Meeting Covid-19 Advisory: On September 16, the Governor signed AB 361, amending the Ralph M. Brown Act (Brown Act) to allow legislative bodies to continue to meet virtually during the present public health emergency. AB 361 is an urgency bill which goes into effect on October 1, 2021. The bill extends the teleconference procedures authorized in Executive Order N-29-20, which expired on September 30, 2021, during the current COVID-19 pandemic and allows future teleconference procedures under limited circumstances defined in the bill. Portola Valley Town Council and commission and committee public meetings are being conducted electronically to prevent imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees. The meeting is not available for in-person attendance. Members of the public may attend the meeting by video or phone linked in this agenda.

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*Raise Hand - press *9*

1. Call to Order
2. Welcome Liz Babb
3. Oral/Community Communications
4. Approval of Minutes from September 21, 2021, meeting
5. Old Business
 - a. Trail Conditions, Work, and Budget for September 2021: Howard Update/Discussion
 - b. Alpine Trail/Safe Route to Schools Subcommittee: Group – membership and charter/objectives discussion
 - c. PV Trail Map Subcommittee: Group – membership and charter/objectives discussion
 - d. Stanford Faculty Housing Subcommittee: Group – membership discussion
6. New Business
 - a. Committee Membership for 2022
7. Other Business
8. Adjournment



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TRAILS AND PATHS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES - DRAFT

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 8:15 AM

Roll Call: Members present: B. Eckstein, J. Coleman, A. Doherty, G. Hanning, F. Leach, M. Nicolls

Members absent: E. Ferrari, S. Gold

Also present: H. Young, Public Works Director; Craig Hughes (Town Council Liaison); T. Coleman (Conservation Committee liaison; guest Secretary)

Guests: Liz Babb, Jacqueline Davis, Jane Bourne, Dick Ball, Roger Pease

Oral/Community Communications:

a. J. Davis and L. Babb have submitted applications for the one available open Committee position.

Approval of Minutes from August 17, 2021 meeting: minutes were *approved as written*.

Old Business:

a. Trail Conditions, Work, and Budget for August 2021 – H. Young stated the majority of mowing has been completed. The most recent work has been focused on areas around the schools. Public Works will next be concentrating on winter preparation activities including water bar maintenance. L. Babb noted the documentation provided with the meeting agenda listing Town trails did not include the Joan Targ trail. H. Young responded that trail is normally included with the Larry Lane trail, however, if required, it can be listed separately when the document is updated. J. Coleman stated he has noticed poison oak is remaining and thriving along several trails; H. Young responded since the Town has stopped spraying, poison oak is very difficult to control and requires the use of equipment for physical removal (usually performed by contracted workers).

b. The ADU checklist items have been submitted to the Town and were acknowledged; no comments have yet been received from the Town (Laura Roberts). Craig Hughes stated SB-9 and SB-10 both passed the California legislature and have been signed by the Governor. SB-9 may require the same type approval as ADUs (ministerial review and approval only; no

Committees to review and approve). He stated the Town is currently reviewing both SB-9 and SB-10 and may consider if zoning changes are needed to comply with the spirit of the laws while also maintaining the PV character.

New Business:

a. Proposed sign on Shady Trail: The sign proposed by the Historic Resources Committee (“Old Ormondale Farm Road”) for posting on Shady Trail was reviewed by the Committee. *The proposal was approved unanimously.*

b. PV Donates: G. Hanning asked if the Committee had any projects to recommend for the PV Donates program. M. Nicholls mentioned the addition of some type of low fence along the steep portion of the bike trail on Alpine Trail near Corte Madera school to Alpine Hills might be a project for consideration. G. Hanning suggested an in-person meeting to see if this portion of the trail overlaps with the section that is possibly going to be moved to the other side of the fence as part of the Hawthornes project. C. Hughes mentioned that Mid-Pen has been invited to talk about the Hawthornes project at the October 13th meeting (*Ellie and Gary – I’m not sure what October 13th meeting he is referring to – Town Council?*). L. Babb mentioned a bench at the start of the Larry Lane trail was removed a couple of months ago at the time of trail mowing/clearing and has not been replaced so perhaps a new bench could be requested from PV Donates.

Other Business:

a. J. Davis and L. Babb were introduced to the Committee as candidates for the open Committee position. J. Davis stated she lives on Adair, moved to Portola Valley approximately five years ago with her family. She stated she is a mountain bike rider and hiker, and uses the trails daily. L. Babb stated she lives in the Woodside Highlands, moved here with her family approximately five years ago to be closer to her parents who had moved to the Sequoias and said she loves walking on the town trails. J. Coleman mentioned ongoing challenges for the Committee include dogs off leash on town trails and improper use of certain trails by bicyclists. G. Hanning stated multiuse trails can’t always be accommodated due to easements and geography so represent challenges for the Committee. Chair Hanning asked the Committee to forward their feedback on the two prospective candidates by the end of the week so the Committee can make a recommendation to the Town Council.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:46 am.

Date & Time of Next Meeting: October 19, 2021.



MEMORANDUM

TOWN OF PORTOLA VALLEY

TO: Trails and Paths Committee

FROM: Scott Weber, Maintenance Worker
Howard Young, Public Works Director

DATE: October 12, 2021

RE: Trail work for September 2021

Attached is the trail work recording form completed for September.

The total maintenance staff hours worked in September was 22 hours.

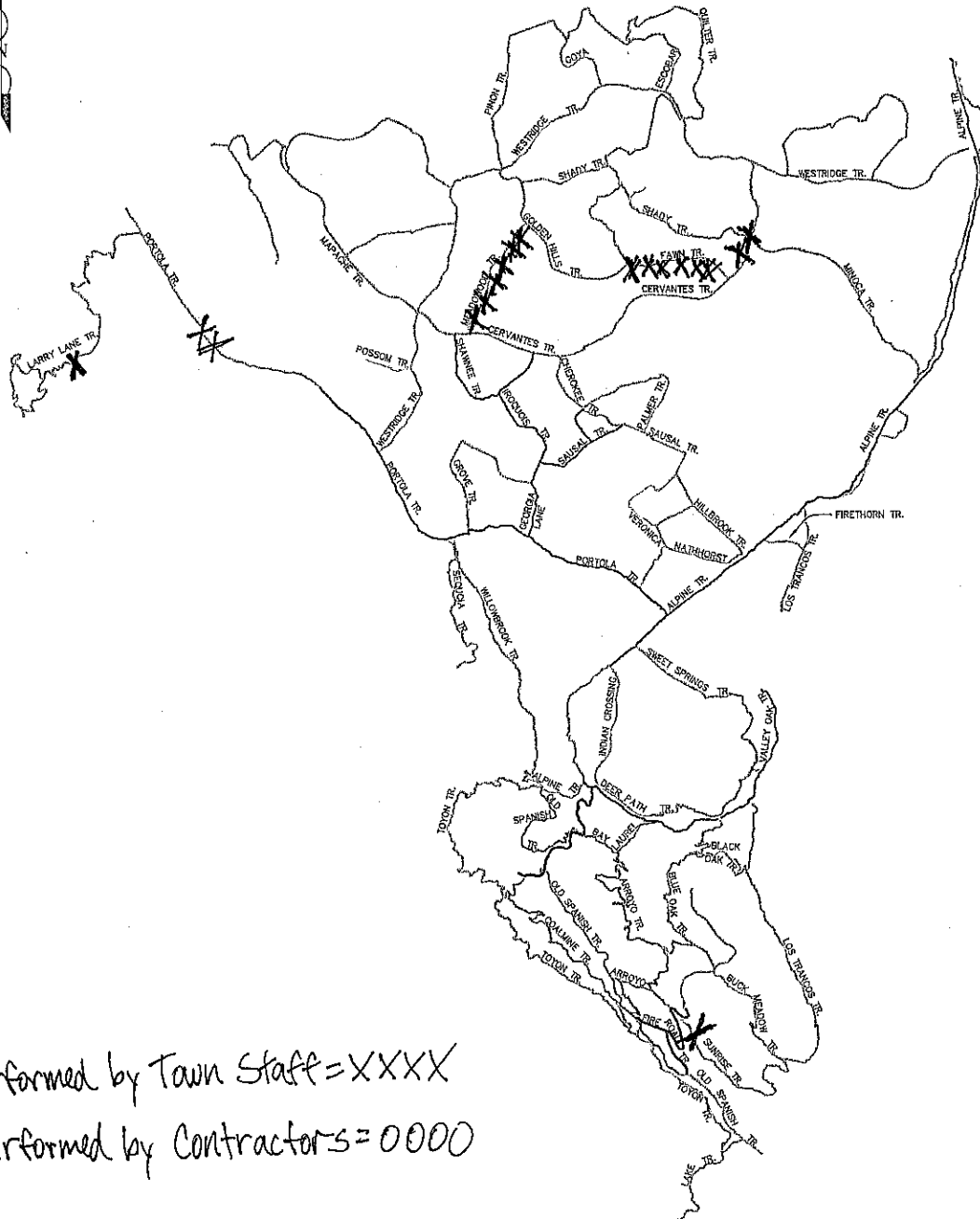
The total contracted staff hours worked in September was 0 hours.

Total hours worked: **22 hours**

Attachments: Trail Map
Work sheet

Trail	Length	Work Completed	Date
Admiral Quilter	0.5		
Alpine	3.0		
Arroyo	1.6		
Bay Laurel	0.5		
Black Oak	0.8		
Blue Oak	0.5		
Buckmeadow	0.5		
Cervantes	1.3	Cut trail at Cresta Vista	9-14
Cherokee	0.2		
Coalmine	0.8		
Deer Path	0.7		
Dwight Crowder	2.0		
Eagle	0.6		
Fawn	0.3	Cut brush	9-1/16
Fire Road	0.5		
Firethorne	0.1		
Georgia	0.3		
Golden Hills	0.7		
Golden Oak	0.2		
Grove	0.6		
Hay Forks	0.7		
Hillbrook	0.4		
Indian Crossing	0.4		
Iroquois	0.2		
Lake	0.4		
Larry Lane	1.5	Reinstalled trail sign	9-27
Los Trancos	1.1		
Los Trancos Rd	0.4		
Meadowwood	0.4	Cut brush	9-24/28
Minoca	0.7		
Nathorst	0.3		
Old Spanish	1.9		
Palmer	0.6		
Portola	2.3	Cut brush across from Village Square	9-8
Possum	0.2		
Priory	0.5		
Redberry	0.2		
Sausal	0.6		
Sequoia	0.5		
Shady	0.8		
Shawnee	0.5		
Sunrise	0.8	Cleared fallen tree	9-27
Sweet Springs	0.8		
Toyon	2.4		
Veronica	0.2		
Westridge			
Willowbrook	0.8		
TOTAL	36.0 miles		

Town of Portola Valley Trail Map



Work Performed by Town Staff = XXXX
Work Performed by Contractors = OOOO

