

TRAILS AND PATHS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – JANUARY 12, 2016

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 8.18 AM.

Roll Call: Present: J. Coleman, A. Dougherty, B. Eckstein, E. Ferrari, S. Gold, T. Lee, J. Shefren, H. Young
Guests: Jeanette Hansen, Gary Hanning

Approval of

Minutes: Minutes for December 8th, 2016, were approved with the change of ‘Superette’ to ‘Deli’. J. Shefren made a motion, seconded by J. Coleman, all were in favor.

Oral

Communications: Guest Gary Hanning would like to join the Committee. He has filled out an application and mailed it in. Talking briefly about himself, he is a Software Engineer who has lived in Portola Valley since 1999. He is very keen on hiking, lives near the Shady Trail and feels he would be a good fit for our Committee.

J. Coleman mentioned we are only an advisory Committee and, as such, our comments are directed to the Town Council who are the body responsible for making decisions. T. Lee added that we generally have a Council member who attends our meetings.

In regard to the trail on Westridge leading to Alpine Road and which was hard for hikers to walk on, J. Coleman said he had talked to George Andreini, the head of the Westridge Trails Committee, and he said no-one had mentioned anything about the trail in 25 years.

T. Lee called attention to the Admiral Quilter trail on the Dos Loma Vista side. The trail sign is down and may have rotted away. There is also a tree down in the bottom of the canyon but you can get by.

Old Business: a. Seasonal Trail Closures update: E. Ferrari said she had not been able to close two trails to equestrians, respectively, the connector off Arroyo to Blue Oaks and the connector from Sunrise to Arroyo. S. Gold said she would close these.

b. Town Center Master Plan Update: S. Gold is going to have Sharon Hanlon send information re. the update to the PVTC. This group may not meet again until February, 2016. The last meeting of the Master Plan Update was covered at our December Meeting. T. Lee stated that the Master Plan is reviewed every 20 years.

New Business: a. Financial Review and Trail Work Update – December 2015 – as per attached. Need to watch that vehicles do not park on trails when construction work is being done.
b. Recognizing positive community T&P citizenship – Discussion ensued about giving some acknowledgment to a homeowner when they restore a trail after work. J. Shefren was going to look into making up a letter to this effect. B. Eckstein made a Motion, seconded by E. Ferrari and approved by all.

Other Business: None

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 9.15 AM.

Date & Time of

Next Meeting: February 9th, 2016, at 8.15 AM.