

Huntersville Greenway, Trail, and Bikeways Commission



Summary Minutes: May 21, 2024

Members Present: Ken Stuart (Chair), Geoffrey Locke (Co-Chair), Maria Reese, Elaine Kerns, Randy Suggs, Sally Walker, Tim Turton & Michael Griffin.

Members Absent: Christianna Beirne

Town Staff Present: David Peete

County Staff Present: n/a

Town Board Present: Alisia Bergsman, Commissioner

Public Present: Two residents present (did not sign-in)

Call To Order: Ken Stuart – 6:00 pm

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve March meeting minutes – approved unanimously

Agenda Changes: n/a

PUBLIC COMMENTS, REQUESTS, OR PRESENTATIONS: The two residents in attendance inquired as to how they could serve on the GTBC. D. Peete and K. Stuart explained how Board volunteers are appointed.

BUSINESS:

- **Consider approving the remainder of 2024 meeting dates, July – December (see attached).**

Motion to approve all dates for remainder of 2024 (July – December) – motion unanimously approved.

- **Re-Cap Wine on the Vine.**

Discuss conversations shared with participants:

- Having the "swag" at the GTBC table was effective – got to talk with more people.
- Need to figure out how to encourage more walking down greenway (Scavenger Hunt?).
- Most attendees seemed pleased.
- Suggest moving GTBC table closer to front/entrance or a more conspicuous location.
- Need to bring the greenway map on a board so that more than one person can see. Also good "attention-getter".
- Great to see so many current and past commissioners and GTBC members.
- Attendees had to be "chased-off" at the end – a good sign!
- Suggest having someone welcome everyone and "explain where things are / how event will function".
- Better signage along 115 & Gilead as to what event is, that you can still buy tix.
- Definitely coordinate better with 760 – parking, signs for the event directing parking to deck. Special signage to let 760 customers know parking will be limited / full (use deck). Food truck ran out of food (did not know about event).

Review dots on the map:

- General comments about greenways:
 - Will there be cameras / security concerns.
 - Need bathrooms along routes.
 - Provide water fountains.
 - Provide pet amenities.
 - Are their speed limits for bikes / e-bikes?
- Need to develop / provide a color-code for the dots (many were confused).
- Comments associated with dots on map (map is attached and numbers added to dots at the May 21, 2024 meeting):
 - 1 – Latta Springs – attendee's home. Did not want to encourage people to travel thru their neighborhood.
 - 2 – Norman Park – attendee's home.
 - 3 – Carrington Ridge – attendee's home.
 - 4 – Gilead Ridge – attendee's home.
 - 5 – McAuley – need to connect neighborhood to McDowell Creek greenway (response – bridges are coming in next phase).
 - 6 – Caldwell Station – need connections down NC 115 and into neighborhoods.
 - 7 – Monteith Park – need to connect to North Meck Park and into Hamptons.
 - 8 – Northstone – attendee's home.
 - 9 –Vermillion – attendee's home.
 - 10 – Downtown – develop connecitons everywhere!
 - 11 – Plum Creek – attendee's home.
 - 12 – Melbourne – attendee's home.
 - 13 – Centennial – need to connect to greenway.

- **Review Sidepath Priorities** – moved to June agenda, due to time left and wanting H. Maloney's input.

Updates/Comments

- K. Stuart shared the letter that was sent along with grant application recently.

Motion to Adjourn: Meeting Adjourned – 7:15 pm