



## Huntersville Greenway, Trail, and Bikeways Commission

**SUMMARY MINUTES:** August 12, 2025

**Members Present:** Geoffrey Locke, Randy Suggs, Christianna Beirne, Elaine Kerns, Maria Reese, Ken Stuart, Leif Stormo, Amy Abernathy

**Members Absent:** Michael Griffin

**Town Staff Present:** Tracy Houk, David Peete

**County Staff Present:**

**Town Board Present:** Commissioner Alisia Bergsman

**Public Present:** Residents: Beth and David Lynn, Resident: Paul Tyma, Resident: Margerete Keller

**Call To Order:** 6:03 pm

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** June 2025 – Approved unanimously

### AGENDA CHANGES:

### PUBLIC COMMENTS, REQUESTS, OR PRESENTATIONS

- Beth and David Lynn asked about the timeline of the Lower McDowell greenway.
  - Staff Responded
- Paul Tyma had questions about invasive plants, Japanese stilt grass, along the Torrence Creek Greenway. Wondering who to contact, who maintains the land along the stream, and is Meck. County aware of this? Town Staff will reach out to Meck Co. to start the conversation and see what is being done, what can be done, and lead a possible clean-up/information day for residents. Mr. Tyma also brought up the idea of "Adopt-A-Greenway Parcel" to help with the removal and maintenance of this invasive species.

### BUSINESS:

- **Topic Ideas for Board Meeting Presentation**
  - Connecting Greenways in the Downtown Area
  - Success of Wine on The Vine and Biketober Block Party
  - East Side Greenway focus
  - Presentation Date: October 9
- **Biketober Block Party Planning**
  - Potential dates: October 11,12,18,19
  - Vendors: HPD, Trek, CTT, Tarheel Trailblazers, NICA youth mtn bike
    - Town Staff (Tracy) will reach out to the vendors listed above to see if they are able to attend once a date/time is set.
  - Sponsors: Blue Oak Realty
  - Music – do we need music? This will depend on the time we have the event.
  - Discussed the possibility of moving the event to Neoteric Brewing. Showing the community other places to visit via The Vine – Town Staff (Tracy) will reach out to Neoteric Brewing to see if they are interested.

### UPDATES/COMMENTS

- **Project Updates** – D. Peete gave update on proposed project at Everette Keith Road and Hambright Road – the proposed rezoning was denied by Town Board and is not moving forward at this time. The GTBC had previously made a recommendation regarding a section of greenway and other trails running through the site plan.
- **2025-2027 SculpTOUR** – The Public Art Commission picked the next 6 pieces that will be displayed on the SculpTOUR. To be installed by the end of September.

**MEETING ADJOURNED – 7:39 PM**