

MISSION: The Friends of Big Finn Hill Park Trails promotes safe, sustainable multi-use trails within a healthy, natural environment while fostering relationships and engaging the broader community.

Friends of Big Finn Hill Trails Committee General Meeting Notes

Date: Sept. 5th, 2018 Time: 7 pm

Location: Kenmore Library

Facilitator: Bill Blanchard

Note takers: Gary Johnson

Committee attendees:

Gary Johnson (dog walkers)

Bill Blanchard (neighbors),

Debbie Meyer (neighbors),

Bill Hall (bikers),

Janice Gerrish (at large),

Bob Gerrish (dog walkers)

Jeanette Leach (walkers)

Lisa Ayrault (at large)

Absent (and excused):

George Meredith (walkers),

Annual Officer election:

Voting was held by sitting committee members to confirm the three officer positions required by the FBFH by-laws. By majority vote the sitting committee members elected the following: Bill Blanchard, President, Gary Johnson Co-Chair and Debbie Meyer Secretary. Positions are for one calendar year.

King County Parks:

Representative from King County were unavailable (sickness) so limited updates were available.

Culvert work – Delivery of lumber to complete the project has been delayed. It is expected over the next couple of week's so work can be completed.

Juanita cross-walk - Trail re-route work to complete access and egress points on the east and west sides of Juanita drive is expected to begin the 1st or 2nd week in Sept.

Other Committee business

Trail 47 – Committee discussed the trail re-work and agreed the it now satisfies the dual usage purpose for all interest groups. One exception was noted on the north end of the trail which could use some slight enhancement to make the top incline more walkable. Bill B. agreed to make these changes.

Trail numbers on east and west sides – George is waiting on King co. to provide the final trail numbers to finish installing.

Hall Pass - Committee expressed the desire to have King Co. walk the trail and provide feedback on trail usability for all interest groups and recommend improvements. Some members expressed concern the trail was not accessible for all interest groups. Committee agreed to make finishing this project a priority. **Action:** Debbie Meyer agreed to contact Joe/Mellissa from King Co to request a walk through.

Log ride loop - Maintenance has been noted to repair/replace rotting logs along the trail and pooling water. **Action:** Bill Hall will check with King Co. on availability of new logs

Ongoing Ivy removal - Lisa provided feedback on community volunteer hours in support of this project, which totals over 300 hours by several committed local volunteers. All those interested in joining their efforts are encouraged to participate...Saturdays 10-12pm (meet at the trail head off of NE 138th Pl).

The next committee meeting is scheduled for November 7th at the Kenmore library, 7pm and is open to the public.

Action: Committee members have been asked to forward to Bill B. all suggested agenda topics prior to this meeting.