

Columbia Friends of the Electric Trail (CFET) 5-6-24 Meeting Minutes May 6, 2024

Monthly Meeting May 6, 2024

Present

Jake Samascott, Deb Shakotko, Lee Jamison, Michael Susi,, Bill Schneider, David Kolb,
Jessie Anderson (on Zoom)

Public: Jim DiGioia

Absent: Nolan Robinson, Kevin Gilrain

Call to Order

The May Monthly meeting of the Columbia Friends of the Electric Trail was called to order at 6:05 pm on May 6, 2024 by Jake Samascott in the Community Room of the Kinderhook Memorial Library

Review Monthly Meeting Minutes of April 1, 2024

Bill moved and Deb seconded to approve; Passed

Treasurer's Report

Deb gave treasurer's report through 4-30-24

Opening Balance \$51,014.95

Revenue \$ 700

Expenses \$668.59

Closing Balance: Total with Reserves: \$51,046.35

Lee moved to approve Mike seconded: Passed.

Membership Report

Nolan reported by earlier email: 11 new members; 126 total members

Training and Maintenance Committee Report

Jake reported that Ron had the truck inspected after removing tinting on the front windshield. Wire harness was installed. Ron will explore logo and lettering to identify it as a CFET Truck. To be kept at Niverville.

April Maintainance Training Day was set up for new and returning volunteers Sunday 4-14-24, 2pm at Samascott's Farm.

Training for string trimmers is tentatively set for 5-16-24. There are 4 new volunteers

Annual Earth Day Clean-up April 20 SUCCESS

Dave Kolb organized local Scout Troops for Saturday 4-20-24 to focus on the Stockport/Greenport sections. Old Klaverack Brewery provided pizza to volunteers at the end of the project around noon

Farmers Markets

Jessie reported Hudson will be June 22 and September 7th. Kinderhook started May 4th and Deb helped her with tent and successful tabling. She suggested we might market bike bells. Etiquette on the Trail is a topic on concern. Signs indicating off trail points of interest has been suggested but the Greenway prefers no increase in signage. Market supplies will be kept at Niverville .

Ron needs volunteers to help Rotary serve meals at the Gravel Grinder Bike Race on May 19th at the Fair Grounds

OK5K will be June 8 and we will need to set up tent at 8am. Volunteers needed.

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Other Business: Jake will plant 4 trees for screening abutting property on trail. Greenway is covering cost of trees from Maple Lane Nursery \$800.

Grant Updates

no report at this time

Public Comments:

none

Adjournment: Deb moved, Jessie seconded; Meeting adjourned 6:40 pm

Next Meeting Monday June 3, 2024 @ 6pm

at the Community Room at the Kinderhook Memorial Library.

Please use the Sylvester Street entrance.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Jamison