

## **Minutes: Friends of Banner Mountain Board Meeting**

April 21, 2017 Hosted by Diana Abrell at 12319 Hillcrest Dr

### **Attendees**

**FBM:** Andrew Wilkinson, Chip Wilder, Jeff Peach, Chuck Staetz, Susan Sanders  
Diana Abrell, Ed Sylvester

Meeting called to Order by Chuck Staetz 2:00pm

**Minutes 10/19:** Motion from Chip to accept the minutes from 1/22/2017 meeting seconded by Andrew, unanimously approved.

**Financial status** Chip reported that we continue to have a healthy financial position, and distributed printed copies of account summary to board members. Largest expense's were liability insurance for \$708, and \$125 one day event insurance for annual meeting. Motion to approve financial update by Andrew, seconded by Jeff, unanimously approved

**Membership Update.** Jeff reported that membership and emails continue to grow to nearly 500 email recipients.

**Gate Posts on Cascade Trail.** Chip shared that he was alerted to the gate posts that have been installed by an recent emails, the actual gate has not yet been installed. General discussion concluded that it would appear that the property owner is intending to install gates. Andrew shared that he had contacted Dale Smith at NID and they reported that an encroachment easement has been approved. Concerns that SOHC had fought to keep water in the canals and that there is significant public use of this trail over many many years. Concern that this is likely a similar situation to Rattlesnake trail issue that went to court for resolution.

Motion by Andrew to approve \$2,500 of SOHC funds to be made available to engage with Haley & Bilheimer to seek advice on the legality of the property owner installing a gate with respect to what is believed to be a public easement. Susan to write a 'problem solving' letter to property owner explaining offering our support for an alternative to a gate such as a screening fence. Andrew to engage with BYLT for alignment, seconded by Chip, unanimously approved.

Agreement for Susan to draft a statement for use if gate are installed for communication with FBM members and as a flyer on the trail letterbox as needed.

**Pedestrian Gate Cascade Trail on Luhmans property** Chuck summarized the prior discussions and it was confirmed that there was unanimous agreement on the attractive design and to accept proposal and costs provided by Andrew Wilkinson to proceed with the pedestrian gate.

**Sign kiosk proposal** located where trails come together, joint FBM/BYLT project, request for Andrew for a proposal

**Heidi Hall Membership.** Previously Nate Beeson was given honoree membership and it was agreed that FBM would extend the same to Heidi Hall who is the new District 1 supervisor.

Next meeting: Thursday 11th May 1.00pm at Chips house

Meeting Adjourned at 3:10pm