Trail Committee Monday, 5 January 2015 Agenda/Minutes 7pm

Introductions

~ Trail Committee Members present: Tanja McMurray, Miguel Galeana, Ellie Combs, Cedar Combs, Courtland Capwell, Mark Michel.

- Meeting scope and duration

~~ Review agenda and past minutes. Previous minutes were reviewed to bring Tanja up to speed on past discussions/agreements.

- Trail Status Update

- Exploration of new trail options

~~ 360 Trails:

- Miguel said using MTB trails for events worked well. Miguel and Courtland determined a need for increased signage (at the start of the MTB trail), but were impressed by the event preparation overall.

- WCC work on equestrian trail, future work-party days were discussed. Tanja proposed having a specified day each month for trail building, and will get back to the committee with a proposal.
- Tanja reiterated a need for a "hitching post" and mounting block by the bathrom.
- Miguel identified the possibility of having separated trail heads on Gateway: Equestrians would use the big bridge, while all others would cross into the back field and use the "Event Trail" to access 360 Trails.

~~ Key Central Forest

- Tanja asked about the time frame for DNR's logging and road building into Key Central Forest. Mark said DNR should be working on the project in 2015.
- ~~ Powerline road
 - Mark told the committee he'd met with Tacoma Power 24 December, to work toward a trail on the Power Line Road. He said KPP will enter an agreement to investigate building a trail on TPC's road. The entire committee was happy with the prospect of establishing a trail, and agreed it would be used.
 - Courtland Capwell said trail use may discourage ATV use on the road.
 - Tanja agreed and said illegal dumping would also be reduced.

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- Trail Naming

- Explore naming options

~~ Tanja, Cedar and Ellie discussed naming options for the equestrian trails. Tanja brought up the option of having a "Trail Naming Contest" to increase interest.

~~ In speaking about the non-exclusive (open to all users) trails, Miguel brought up McCormick woods as an example of designating trails in a "loop" to minimize confusion to users. Mark will meet with Miguel about possible layout and designation for existing "interior trails" in 360.

~~ Miguel also brought up the possibility of having "sponsored" trails. Route 16 Running has an agreement with Pen Met Parks for sponsoring a trail in McCormick Woods.

- Comments

- Adjournment

- Meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:30pm.

Equestrian User Group

- Post-meeting summary -

If/when you ride a Key Peninsula Park or Forest, what is your objective? Please check all that apply:

Rank / points:

- 1. / 24: Exercise for myself and my horse: walk and trot.
- 2. / 23: Conditioning my horse: walk, trot, gallop.
- 3. / 21: Provide more experience for my horse (de-sensitize).
- 4. / 17: Quiet, relaxing ride, mostly at a walk.

Please rate the following, with 1 being most preferred, 11 least preferred. Would you prefer:

Rank / points (lower is better):

- 1. / 72: Horse-specific trails.
- 2. / 75: Meandering trails maximizing distance traveled within a small area.
- 3. / 83: Covered arena.
- 4. / 84: Linear trails from one area/park to another.
- 5. / 92: Arena.
- 6, 7. / 95: Improved access. (tied for 6th place).

Trailer parking.

- 8. / 112: Gallop track.
- 9. / 114: Cross-country course with obstacles/jumps.
- 10. / 129: Indoor arena.
- 11. / 170: Stabling.

What would you be willing to do to help develop facilities to support your preferences?

Rank/points:

- 1. / 21: Attend meetings.
- 2. / 19: Help in trail building/development.
- 3. / 8: Solicit donations from other equestrians.
- 4. / 6: Contribute financially.

Would you like us to contact you with Key Pen Parks equestrian related issues (would you like to be on a contact list)? If so, please provide contact information below.

Name:_____ Phone:_____