

**Trails and Open Space Advisory Committee**  
**April 24, 2019**  
**Meeting Record**

**Members Present**

Mike Ferris, Committee Chair  
Bob Schiowitz, Vice-Chair  
Peter Gorman, Member  
Dan Dietzel, Member  
Martyn Pearson, Member

**Others Present**

Jaime Embick  
Joseph Gendron  
Michelle Giese  
Desire Liska  
Catalina Claussen

**Members Absent**

Kenneth Sexton, Member  
Jim Wightman, Member

The meeting was called to order at 5 pm

**Approval of Minutes:**

Bob moved to approve the minutes of the March 27, 2019 regular meeting as submitted. Peter seconded and the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote of 5/0.

**Old Business:**

None

**Public Input/Committee Discussion**

Joseph stated that the program director position for the Abandoned Mine Lands program is currently vacant. He gave staff the contact information for the state office that will be hiring a new director.

Committee members and interested community members attending were given a tour led by Bob Schiowitz of the new trail route from the Spring St. trailhead that is under construction by the YCC/Aldo Leopold HS students and staff. The purpose of the new route is to replace the rocky and steep older trail that has become both difficult to maintain and that poses severe safety issues for bikers and unseasoned hikers. We travelled the entire length of the new trail to where it connects to the main trail, noting where there are private property line issues to resolve, needed surface fill and preparation and modification work to be done, and options for alternate routes and reducing the grade and widening turns for mountain bikers. We noted needed signage replacement and new sign location needs as well. Discussion of these needs will continue at our next meetings.

**Staff Report**

None

**Adjournment:** 6:30 pm

**Approved:**

Michael Ferris, Chair \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_