

Friends of the Waverly Trails

Minutes of the meeting on 21 April 04

The meeting was called to order at 6 PM at the home of Elaine and Steve Main.

The minutes were accepted as mailed.

Old Business:

1. Kim Folkers discussed the "Night Ski Event". We again missed the best snow. Her suggestion is to prepare for the event but not set a date until a week or so ahead. That way when the snow is right, we can get the event going on the spur of the moment. Every one thought that will work.

New Business:

1. Election of officers occurs every 2 years and this is the year. The present slate of officers was renominated and reelected: President Jim Rathe, Vice President Kim Folkers, and Secretary Kris Brunkhorst.
2. National Trail Day is the first Saturday in June. We decided to encourage people to take a picnic on the Trail that day. Rain day will be either Sunday or the following Saturday. We'll publicize it and try to have extra tables and garbage cans along the Trail.
3. The half-mile volunteers have been contacted and all are continuing to clean up their section of the Trail. Jon Woltz has volunteered to take the Trail west of the Cedar River. The Coffee Depot is gone so we need a volunteer for the area between the River and Bremer Ave.
4. The City is considering buying the train depot, renting out space and using this as the trailhead. Tab was absent due to illness so we didn't have more information that this.
5. Larry Buchholz, president of the Cedar Trails Partnership in Cedar Falls, attended our meeting. He talked a little about connecting their trail system with ours. He said there was too much hunting along the river to put the trail there between Cedar Falls and Janesville. The route they are looking at now is along old 218. He thought Janesville was looking at a pedestrian bridge across the river. He invited us to attend their meetings any time.
6. The Rolling Prairie group hasn't met since they got their state grant to help purchase the land between Allison and Coulter so we didn't have anything else to report.

Next Meeting: Next Fall.

After the meeting we enjoyed grilled bratwurst and potato salad topped of with strawberry shortcake! We enjoyed the view of the river and walked about the yard to see the wildflowers.

Jim Rathe

