

MINUTES OF TRACKS GENERAL MEETING October 12, 2019
At Darbi's Restaurant, Pinetop, AZ 85935

The meeting was called to order by Jim Snitzer at 8:05 AM. Approximately 29 members were present, with no new members or guests.

Minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed. Kay Richter made a motion to approve, seconded by Jerry Good and approved unanimously by members present.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Lorna Cox commented that Forest Service work is winding down somewhat. Charmi Wecker asked about an abandoned vehicle on Los Caballos Trail. Lorna explained in detail why it is still there and it will be removed sometime in the future.
2. TRACKS Trail Crew will meet Monday, October 14 by Arby's in Show Low to work on General Crook Trail.
3. TRACKS highway cleanup will be Tuesday, October. Meet at Social Security parking lot at 7:30 AM.
4. Trunk or Treat will be on October 26 at Mountain Meadows. Kay Alderton and Arlene Nelson will represent TRACKS at this event.
5. Also on October 26 at Nature Center from noon to 3 or 4 PM will be Harvest Festival.
6. On October 12, Nature Center is hosting an extraction on site. The bees have already been relocated to Roosevelt for the winter months.
7. The Tour of the White Mountains mountain bike race was a success with many more participants than last year's event – approximately 960 riders.
8. Jim introduced two new Board members elected this past week: Chris Brady and Kathy Purvis. Chris and Kathy will work on the newsletter and perhaps other computer needs.
9. Our present liability insurance will cover volunteers while performing outdoor activities.
10. There is still a need for a leader for summer hikes to organize the hikes and send out emails.
11. We are looking for sites and ideas for Liz Wise and Bob Pena memorials. Funds are available.
12. Re e-bikes, Lorna said these bikes can be on regular trails only if the motor is not engaged. E-bikes are allowed on BLM land and at National monuments.
13. Jim said he will organize work shops this winter to make signs needed on trails and to sharpen trail tools. He needs input for what is needed. He can also put lettering on diamonds on both sides of the trees on which they are placed.
14. Jim also told the group that he is investigating use of motorized equipment for trail building, mainly in the more difficult areas. He named micro excavator and described the capabilities of this equipment.
15. There is a need for a trail adopter for Timber Mesa off Power Mountain Rd. Contact Joan Patrick at 928-242-7220.

16. Dave McCullough announced that Rosie Gonzales contributed \$100 to TRACKS from her yoga group.
17. Lynn Krigbaum thanked the 11 TRACKS members who helped with the Nature Center's highway cleanup on October 10.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 AM.

No activities are planned after the meeting.

Next General Meeting will be November 9 at 8:00 AM at Darbi's Restaurant.

Submitted by Kay Alderton, Secretary/Board Member