Trails Advisory Committee September 13, 2023

Roll Call

- Jignasha Patel
- Jim Kuligowski
- Vanessa Jones
- Tara Kenyon, AICP/PP Land Preservation and Management Consultant
- Anne-Marie Orlusky
- Christopher Gonda
- Chuck Martin

No approval of previous minutes.

Status update on Chuck Martin and Secretary Transition Responsibilities primarily consist of meeting minutes to include action items and motions

Public Comment: No members of the public were present at this meeting.

Pathways & Trails Plan

Review of new GIS Maps

- Tara will relay comments to A.T. to update the maps.
- Thematic Feedback
 - o Parcel borders should be less prominent.
 - Transparency of Legend Background affects the Legend Text
- DeMott Lane map review
- Colonial Park Trails
- Bunker Hill Natural Area
- Several map segments must be completed.
 - o Refer to Franklin Trails Mapping Project Tracking Spreadsheet

Site Plan Review

No sites to review.

Anne Marie asked about warehouse proposals and public meeting impact on Site Plans.

New Business

Grant for Naaman Williams Park

Tara presented Maps and information on the flooding, puddling and soil features to support the need for green infrastructure improvements. This information can determine the best materials to mitigate puddling.

Tara will organize a preliminary assessment of the site to discuss concepts and possible treatments of the project area. A public meeting will follow.

Members offered questions regarding the timing of grant dates

- Status Update regarding the open position on the Trails Committee and Open Space Committee
 - Vanessa will continue to enlist support from event attendees
 - Interested members may also submit to the Open Space Committee seat to maintain additional liaison for trails topics

Old Business

The Bird Blind is a priority

- Trail Walks & Events
 - o Google Sheet Tool Committee Feedback
 - Franklin Day September 23rd
 - Hunting Season
 - Dec 4 Feb 17
 - Advertising & Marketing Conversation
 - Access to Kiosks
 - QR Code
 - Parks & Rec Sites
 - Municipal Calendar
 - Parks & Rec
 - Facebook Page
 - Trails Page links
 - FTTV
 - Next Door
- Trail Updates
 - o Jim recommended a community calendar
 - o Fall Foliage & Bird Walk NJ Audubon, October 14
- Franklin Day
 - Maps
 - Things to Do Map
- Adjournment
 - Anne Marie moved to adjourn
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