

CHEHALEM PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT
CHEHALEM HERITAGE TRAILS CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Administration Office
125 S. Elliott Road
February 11, 2025

MINUTES

- I. Meeting called to order at 6.00 Pm by Dennis Wiley
- II. Roll Call
 - Present**
Dennis Wiley
Om Sukheenai
Dennis Wiley
Bob Freshman
Jake Jendusa
Lauren Pfeiffer
Danna Kemp
Matt Smith, CPRD Board President
Bryan Stewart, CPRD Staff
 - Absent**
Jake Jendusa
- III. Approval of the Minutes
MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES
Moved: Bob Freshman
Seconded: Danna Kemp
Ayes: Lauren Pfeiffer, Bob Freshman, Dennis Wiley , Om Sukheenai, Danna Kemp
- IV. Replacement of Secretary and adding new committee member
 - a. Sarah Downing and Jake Jendusa resigned
 - b. CPRD Board will reopen application for two positions by the end of February. In March board members will make appointments
- V. Presentation on Bypass Trail project- Jim McMaster
 - a. Dynamic trail for community; livable place, free trail, unique, tourism such as wine bike company. Feedback from community is positive
 - b. Trails can connect to Friends Park and Ewing Young Park, and Newberg to Dundee

- c. First phase is at plan Review at Newberg, then needs to go back to the contractor from two years ago . ODOT has contributed 1.8M, and the Park District is responsible for the rest. The big cost is the bridge. ODOT has rules on how to build bridges. They like big bridges for bikes and pedestrians. Breaking ground is hoping in summer of 2025. The longer we delay, costs will increase
 - d. ODOT has right away easement, trails will not go to Agriculture lands
 - e. Outreach to community, Jim suggested Education is needed to local and Park and district should do more on marketing
 - f. Distance of Phase I trail - over a mile
 - g. Danna asked about phase II, Jim is not aware of any impact on the trail with this new Phase 2 bypass.
- VI. Any follow up discussion on 2/7 field trip
- a. Bob- incredible , eye opener to visit Ewing Young for the first time, Danna thanked Bryan, Lauren suggested to do more on our own.
- VII. Discussion on implementing trail signage at BCR park- Om, Bob and Dennis
- a. Bob- shared the discussion on which side of the park is most used, the East side, junction signages that show entire trail. Some trails are potentially not safe for hikers. Om- about safety, questioned on decommission some small trails, Dennis- safety and how staff can maintain trails
 - b. Lauren questioned about taking some trail off the map? Danna- we should ask staff. Bryan- trail committees decide which trails we want on the map, they will make plans on maintenance
 - c. The East side of BCRP is a place holder. Committees agree to visit the park in March.
- VIII. Volunteer Days roles and needs
- a. Dennis shared the Ewing Young Trail Walk event on Sunday 2/9/2025, organized by Friends of Chehalem trails (former Friends of Ewing Young trail) They have set dates for walking to different trails.
 - b. Lauren- asked for opportunities for OET to volunteer. Each volunteer group should be equally represented. Should we pick one park? Bob- how much labor is needed, BCRP trail is 13-14 miles, it could be an opportunity for volunteers to help putting signage
 - c. Outreach to community- Farmers market, social media, website. Danna asked if CPRD has any connection with TVFR. Bob will reach out to TVFR to ask for help with signage
- IX. April meeting date change- Move to April 15, 2025
- X. Future agenda items – Youth bicycling group requests to present in March meeting

- XI. Public Comments- Bryan Slayter, he has strong connection with GFU Multimedia and Engineer students who would like to get out from bubbles to volunteer. He asked if Park & District could be a sponsor to provide scholarship.
- XII. Meeting Adjourned at 7.00 pm by Dennis Wiley

NEXT MEETING: 11,2,2025

Recorded by: Om Sukheenai