

MINUTES OF TRACKS GENERAL MEETING April 9, 2022,

Held at Darbi's Restaurant Pinetop, AZ 85935

Meeting was called to order by Jim Snitzer, due to Nick Lund's absence, at 8 AM.

There were 17 TRACKS members in attendance. The newest member introduced is Jack Lence, who spoke briefly about his background.

Minutes of the last General Meeting (March 12, 2022) were distributed and reviewed. Jerry Good made a motion to accept the minutes as read, seconded by John Vuolo, and approved by all members present.

Announcements:

1. The ramp gates grant has been approved by the Arizona State Park and Trails Board. The TRACKS match for the grant will be \$26,000.00.
2. The Navajo County Grant has been awarded to TRACKS in the amount of \$45,000.00 to pay for the Blue Ridge Shortcut. Jim displayed a layout of different options for the Shortcut. The one decided on needs pin-flagging and Forest Service approval. Nick has located a company in Colorado that has the heavy equipment and expertise to accomplish this.
3. The Eastern Arizona Trails Coalition (EATC) extended thanks for TRACKS Members voting and making suggestions. These trails will extend as far as the New Mexico border.

Old and New Business:

1. Trail head adopters are still needed, as well as trail stewards.
2. Jim Snitzer announced a work party for Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at 9 AM, at his house by Rainbow Lake, to sharpen tools and make signs.
3. The Nature Center wants volunteers for helping with various duties for raptors; such as carrying water, cleaning cages, etc. People can show up at 3 PM any day, once or twice a week, or whatever day you can fit in. You'll be able to interact with the birds.
4. Liz Jernigan passed out the year's program schedule for Audubon. Also, she informed the group of the new meeting place at Buffalo Bill's Bar and Restaurant in the Hickok Room, at 6:30 PM on the first Wednesday of each month.
5. Jerry Good spoke of the work done on Los Burros and a new part of the trail.

The next General Meeting will be at Darbi's on Saturday, May 14, 2022, at 8 AM. After May, the General Meetings will be at Woodland Lake Park at Ramada #2, 8 AM, until October.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:14 AM.

No activities are scheduled after the meeting.

Submitted by Kay Alderton, Secretary/Board Member