

NKT A Trail Plan Committee Minutes 7/20/09 Adopted 8/17/09

Poulsbo Council Chambers 7-9 p.m.

Present: Sue Abbott NPS, John Willett, John Kuntz, John Hawkins, Jon Rose, Linda Berry-Maraist, Steve Bauer, Dave Haley, Carolina Veenstra, Lynn Schorn, Andrew McMillan, Kevin McDonald, Dennis Oost, Howie O'Brien, Alix Kosin, Kerry and Helen Chamberlin.

Trail Planning Overview:

NKTA Reorganization:

- NKTA board is being expanded to achieve representation of all the "Pearls" & County representation. Board will elect a new president as Jon Rose will be stepping down
- Why concentrate on The Plan? Sue Abbott, NPS grant is for planning purposes, hasn't been used very effectively. If want to renew grant, need to focus on Plan.
- This Trail Plan Committee (a subcommittee) will focus exclusively on Master Plan document. Will have regular monthly meetings to create/follow a work plan to cooperatively create a Master Plan document that we will then have public review. Goal is 12 month completion of document. Linda will chair Master Plan committee and coordinate w/ Sue Abbott.
- Regionally there is a variety of trail planning activities including KRCC (all Kitsap jurisdictions) Trail committee, discussions w/ PRTPO (Jefferson, Clallam, Mason Co.), Cross state trail connections.

Framing a Work Plan

- Review of Planning process: Visions, Goals, Objectives, Actions
- Reviewed and modified Mission/Vision/Goal Statement, plan to adopt at next mtg.
- John Willett: discussion of progress on Land trails.
- John Kuntz: discussion of progress on water trails. Water trails work is more complete, need follow up work to discuss how to move this forward. Environmental Review?
- Discussion on Plan components and different subcommittees, some have completed their work, others can be merged. Potentially focus on Land trails and water trails.

Working together discussion:

- Steve Bauer: County wants to participate, there have been frustrations/complications but is pleased with reorganizational effort, believes Jon Rose and ORM should step down from visible leadership but remain on the Board. Jon Rose: contemplating OPG's role, has invested huge amount of company time and resources, had planned to get NKTA started and then step back, question is how far. Berry-Maraist: all partnerships take effort to form and keep together. We can do more by working together but need all the players for an effective partnership: public (County)-private (OPG)-community (NKTA).

Plan production:

- Brief discussion on timeline, public involvement, exploration of involvement of twitter/facebook to involve young people.
- Initial discussion of "magic wall" ie what we have done and what remains to be done. This will be focus of our next meeting

Next steps:

- Next meeting 8/20 5-9 p.m. to focus on developing a work plan. Should plan to rotate locations to different communities.
- Andrew McMillan will consider taking on website.
- Need reps for Health issues (Health dept/Harrison), tribes, perhaps some involvement of DNR, WA state parks, Fish & wildlife, Ports, transit. Lynn is PT and can assist w/ health issues.

To prepare for next meeting: What remains to be done in categories of

- Form committee (missing partners, define who is contact at Co parks/planning/PW?)
- Inventory resources (Water trails inventory 90% complete, land trails 75% complete?)
- Spread vision (outreach committee?)
- Collect info from public
- Early success stories
- Draft plan (Write and finish mapping)
- Public comment
- Final plan w/ support of all