

Newport Trail Stewards (NEWTS)

Public Meeting

February 7, 2018

7:00 pm

150 NW 6th St, Newport, OR (Bike Newport)

CALL TO ORDER

Tomas Follett called to order the first formal meeting of the Newport Trail Stewards. Follett provided a brief overview of the need to create a 501c3 non-profit organization to further accomplish goals of creating and maintaining multi use trails in Newport, Oregon.

ROLL CALL

Present at the meeting were:

Tomas Follett	Elliot Crowder	Ken Brown	Casey Miller
Wil Black	Eric Horvath#	Jeff Pendleton	Jody Stecher
Linda Annable	John Lehrer	Nancy Steinberg	Tyler Donaldson
Brenda Luntzel	Don Luntzel	Meric McNeilus*	Lee Anderson+
Deanna Williams	Patrick Hackett	Doug Sage	

Representatives of other stakeholder organizations:

Yaquina Wheels Bike Club

* Coast Hills Running Club

+ Lincoln County Mycological Society

DESIGNATING BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MOTION was made by Follett, seconded by Miller, to approve the appointment of Ken Brown as president of the Newport Trail Stewards. The motion carried unanimously in a voice vote.

MOTION was made by Brown, seconded by Follett, to approve the appointment of Elliott Crowder as vice president of the Newport Trail Stewards. The motion carried unanimously in a voice vote.

MOTION was made by Crowder, seconded by Brown, to approve the appointment of Tomas Follett as treasurer of the Newport Trail Stewards. The motion carried unanimously in a voice vote.

MOTION was made by Follett, seconded by Crowder, to approve the appointment of Casey Miller as secretary of the Newport Trail Stewards. The motion carried unanimously in a voice vote.

DISCUSSION

A general discussion was held by all present.

Follett suggested the establishment of membership dues of \$25/individual or \$40/family annually. There was general agreement and the motion will be submitted at the next meeting.

Follett explained that establishing a board of directors was an essential step for moving forward in establishing the 501c3 non-profit status of the Newport Trail Stewards and that further work would be needed to establish a formal charter.

Follett announced that he would like to lead a walk in the Big Creek reservoir area to introduce and explore ideas of developing trails in the area. All possible multi-use stakeholders would be invited to tour the area and that these notifications and invitations would be announced on the Newport Trail Stewards web site, Facebook page. Media releases would be submitted to local media for public announcement.

Follett also noted that he would be approaching the City of Newport with a proposal to create a two mile mountain bike loop demo project.

Follett also requested that people who were interested in general trail use participate in a series of trail work days to help the City of Newport prepare for the annual Coast Hills Classic mountain bike race.

Follett noted that not only would the participation help facilitate an important community event but would also display solidarity on behalf of the trail community as trail stewards.

Trail Work Dates and Volunteer Opportunities		
Saturday, Feb 17 th Wilder Trail Work 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Saturday, March 3 rd Wilder Trail Work 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Sunday, March 11 th Wilder Trail Work 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Sunday, March 18 th Wilder Trail Work 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Sunday, April 8 th Wilder Trail Work 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Sunday, April 15 th Coast Hills Classic All Day

ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the Newport Trail Stewards will take place Wednesday, February 28, 2018 at Bike Newport, 150 NW 6th St, Newport, OR (Bike Newport)

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.