

# North Kitsap Trails Association

## Board of Directors Regular Meeting/Teleconference

May 28, 2020

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**Directors on Teleconference:** Linda Berry-Maraist, Evan Stoll, Doug Maraist, Don Willott, and Patsy Bryan

**Directors Absent:** Amy Sutton, Caroline Perisho, John Kuntz, Duke Bourgeois, Deborah Weinmann

**Recording Secretary:** Doug Maraist

### A. Business:

#### 1. Call to Order - Agenda Review

The Board of Directors meeting of the North Kitsap Trails Association was convened at 4:30 P.M. on May 28, 2020, but did not have a quorum of board members at the start. Due to the State/County COVID-19 rules on social distancing, this meeting is being held via ZOOM teleconferencing services.

#### 2. Consent Agenda:

**MOTION:** April 2020 board meeting minutes were not reviewed or approved.

#### 3. Treasurer's Report:

No update.

#### 4. President's Report:

- a) Amy Sutton confirmed in the agenda that 10:00 AM is the time to walk the Divide Block alternate route of the STO with Commissioner Rob Gelder on June 20, 2020.
  - i. Due to State/County COVID-19 rules at this time, the group will need to be 5 or less.
  - ii. Need to confirm a meeting & starting point on Gratitude Road or Orseth Road?

### B. Reports - Committees/Projects/Updates

#### 1. Heritage Park Updates:

##### a) Port Gamble Forest Heritage Park (PGFHP):

- i. **REI Grant:** See Vice-President's Report for update.
- ii. **Kitsap PFD Funding Update:**  
No update.
- iii. **Trail Improvements/Repairs:**
  - See STO update below.
  - **Upcoming NKTA Sponsored Work Party(s):** Proposed work-parties were not discussed:
    - ◇ **National Trails Day** - Saturday, June 06 at 9 AM. Since it is unclear at this time what the new COVID-19 rules will be for next week, this work party will be canceled.
    - ◇ **REI Opt-Out Day** - Friday, Nov. 27, 2020 at 9 AM. **\*\*TBD** if NKTA will lead this one.
- iv. **PGFHP Trail Map:**
  - Linda Berry-Maraist reported that she will order the next batch from Blue Sky Printing, as soon as they are open back up for business.

##### b) North Kitsap Heritage Park (NKHP):

- i. It was mentioned that the NKHP Stewards have formed a committee to investigate the future acquisition of the adjacent "Sand Pit" property for the purpose of sports fields.

#### 2. Vice-President's Reports:

##### a) Don Willott – STO Update:

- i. **STO Trail Signage:** Doug Maraist mentioned the STO signage/ graphics work is still on hold due to the latest COVID-19 rules. As previously reported:
    - a. City of Poulsbo & Kitsap County Parks will require Public Works Dept. approval.
  - ii. **KRCC Board Meeting:**
    - a. At their last meeting, their committee recommendations to PSRC including construction funding for the “first-section” of the STO route within the PGFHP.
  - iii. **SR Hwy. 305 Update:**
    - a. Johnson Way Roundabout: No update
  - iv. **Rails-to-Trails Conservancy:**
    - a. Doug Maraist reported that the national organization is creating a new logo for the Great American R2T and will get us the artwork to include with the STO signage.
  - v. **“LEAFLINE” - Central Puget Sound Regional Trail Coalition:**
    - a. Don Willott reported at the Leadership Group meeting, they discussed compiling a list of “shovel-ready” trail project in their efforts to aid in finding construction funding.
    - b. Also, they will be seeking names of local public officials to recognize their “trail advocacy”.
  - vi. **“Friends of the STO”:** Doug Maraist mentioned that there is a community-based group being formed that will include various park stewards and NKTA board members as follows:
    - a. Don Willott for Bainbridge Island
    - b. Doug Maraist for Poulsbo
    - c. Lynn Schorn for PGFHP
    - d. Jay Zischke for NKHP
    - e. \_\_\_?\_\_\_ for Divide Property
    - f. \_\_\_?\_\_\_ for Kingston or Lomolo, etc.
- b) **Evan Stoll – REI Grant:**
- i. **REI Grant Proposal - Projects:**
    - a. Evan Stoll reported that NKTA was awarded a \$7,500.00 grant that includes both trail upgrades and new STO signage.
3. **Peninsula Water Trails:** No update.
4. **K.C. Non-Motorized Committee Meeting:** No update.
5. **Communications:**
- a) **NKTA’s new WIX Website:** Evan Stoll has sent out links for all the board members to “interact” on NKTA’s new WIX website, which is the Final Draft. Evan is requesting all the Board to send him edits & comments on the written text, historic milestones, content and of course more pictures of trail events.
  - b) **NKTA’s brochure** and NKTA’s Operations Manual: No update.
6. **New Business:** (covered elsewhere in this report).
- a) **North Kitsap Trails Association Board Mtg.:** Next regular meeting will be on Thursday, June 25, 2020 at 4:30 ---**LOCATION TBD.**  
**MOTION:** No Motion was taken.  
Meeting Adjourned at 6:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Doug Maraist, NKTA Board Member