

ITGRA Board Meeting
Tarrywile Mansion
Wednesday April 6, 2022

Meeting called to order at 9:35

Present: Mike Cunningham, Al Puches, Becky Petro, Craig Weber, Kathy Miville, Rick Dewitt, Steve Bayne, Kent Stivers and Jeff Glans.

Rick made a motion to approve the March meeting minutes, Craig seconded, approved unanimously.

Rick made a motion to approve up to \$2000 for tractor service and repair. Kathy seconded. After some discussion about the possibility of having to replace the brush hog the motion was amended to \$4000. This was approved unanimously.

Mike will forward the tax exempt document to Rick, Al and Jeff.

May annual meeting

- Mike, Rick, Kathy and Steve have agreed to run for another 3 year term
- Mike, Rick, Al and Jeff have agreed to run again as board officers for a 1 year term
- Elections will be held at our May meeting which will be the annual board meeting

Two motions were made to amend the bylaws to loosen the requirement to have exactly 11 members on the board. The text of the two motions below were distributed to the Board via email on March 7, 2022.

Motion 1 made by Rick:

That Article IV, Section 2 of the Bylaws of the Ives Trail and Greenway Regional Association, Inc. be amended as follows:

Replace

“The Board of Directors shall consist of Eleven (11) Directors.”

With

“The Board of Directors shall consist of between Nine (9) and Thirteen (13) Directors.”

Motion seconded by Jeff and approved unanimously.

Motion 2 made by Rick:

That Article IV, Section 7 of the Bylaws of the Ives Trail and Greenway Regional Association, Inc. be amended as follows:

Replace

“In the event of a vacancy in the Board, a new Director shall be elected by the Board to serve out the remainder of the term.”

With

“In the event of a vacancy in the Board, a new Director may be elected by the Board to serve out the remainder of the term. In the event of a vacancy in the Board that results in the Board consisting of fewer than Nine (9) members, a new Director shall be elected by the Board to serve out the remainder of the term.”

Motion seconded by Jeff and approved unanimously.

Mike reported that a friend is preparing the sign for the church parking lot for free. Rick displayed the sign he had prepared and was ready to hang. No decision was reached on which sign to use.

Mike reminded us that we will not be working with the interns from Ridgefield.

Mike reported that we received a \$4300 grant from the Ridgefield Thrift Store.

Kent and Jim have posted a proposed website upgrade which should be reviewed by all (see email from Kent) and comments forwarded to Kent.

- Mike to forward the 2008(?) book to Kent for historical reference
- Proposal by Kathy to separate current and past board members
- Discussion on including the monthly meeting minutes, no conclusion
- Decision to officially refer to the length of the trail as 17 miles
- Proposal by Mike to add a reference to availability of guidebooks and t-shirts
- Discussion about have a ‘store’ section on the website
- Proposal by Jeff to add Leave No Trace information in hike section

Adjourned: 10:45 AM

Next meeting: Wednesday May 4th at Redding Town Hall at 9:30 am