Richmond Trails Committee Tuesday August 15, 2017

Present: Ian Stokes, Martha Marciel, Ed Wells, Callie Ewald, Jim Monahan, Tyler Merritt, and Jean Bressor Community Member: Wright Preston

-Trail work

Rivershore - big trees down between Cochran's and parking lot - thanks to Andy Cabrerra for cutting up the trees!

Thanks to Jim for Jericho Rd tree clearing Leaner on Preston Preserve, little tree on Lung-ta that will need to be cut

-Sip of Sunshine - Jim and Jean walked the trail with Wright Preston - Wright has requested that there be a 50' buffer from his property line - Wright came to the meeting to discuss this issue- the trail will be moved to 50' from the the Prelco boundary line - there is one spot on the steep section where the trail will be closer than 50' - Wright agreed to this. We discussed signage to stay on trail? Wright said he will leave signage to the committee

Work party - 4:30pm on September 12th with the RMT group. Jim/Tyler will re-route prior to the work party. Prebuild six bridges prior to the work party?

Future trails were discussed-walking on the lower meadon. We discussed sending a map of the trails to Kate

- -Ed Well's concerns number of trails on Preston Preserve
 - limiting biking/night-time Ed will ask Jim Shallow to come speak on this issue
- Ed wonders what the future holds for the property? What's the process for a trail? issue of density? Tyler says he personally feels it's maxed now. Tyler mentioned that Lung Ta trail's existence is a direct result of a recommendation by the State to add another trail to it's property at Preston Legacy. Only other trail is to somehow get to Thompson Rd. Walking trail to the waterfall from Thompson Rd.? Ed asked about spurs off the trail for walking only?
- -Closing trails Tyler has closed Preston Preserve seven times this summer. He will continue to monitor. Spring time and heavy rain events warrant closing. RMT has also been monitoring and closing trails.
- -Old Jericho Road Trail have Sip of Sunshine start at the beginning of the Jericho Road Trail rather than on Jericho Road, in order to alleviate the lack of parking issue.
- -Andrews Forest Land management team interim team with representation from user groups (Richmond Rec Comm., Conservation Comm., Trails Comm, VYCC, hunters, landowners, etc) will be set up -then a permanent committee will be appointed.

Respectfully submitted - Jean Bressor 8-16-17