

(**Note:** For the record, the Commission was unable to hold a meeting in the month of September. The original meeting was scheduled for September 11 but failed to garner a quorum of members, and was subsequently rescheduled for September 25, which also did not reach a quorum.)

Chair Sam Demeritt opened the meeting at 7:02 PM. Other members in attendance were Cheryl Smith, Susan Mooney, Mary Colvard, Debra Kimball, and Johan Kerkhove, Alternate, who was seated for Kristen Lamb.

Members recited the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

Announcements: There were none.

Committee Reports:

- Trails Committee: There was no meeting held in December, due to the lack of a quorum of members. The next meeting will be on January 4, 2024.
- Bear-Paw Regional Greenways: There was no new news. The land trust continues to work with the Humes on their conservation easement project.

Easement Monitoring:

- Kimball has completed the Friend Family easement monitoring and will submit the report to the Business Office.
- Demeritt and Jim Cooper, who represented the Mendums Landing Association (MLA), monitored the Mendums parcels on 12-2-23. Demeritt noted that the boundaries were well blazed with red paint. Some medallions were replaced, posted medallions were dated with marker. All was in order. Mooney will submit the report to the Commission and Business Office.
- Terninko: Demeritt will contact the owner to discuss the monitoring, still to be scheduled.
- Kimball Family Forest: Bear-Paw usually walks this parcel with Commission members. No information has been received from Bear-Paw about this event. Demeritt will inquire.

Correspondence: There was none.

Demeritt will ask about lack of “Intent to Cuts” received by the Commission for the last several months.

Minutes: The minutes of November 13, 2023, were reviewed and corrected. It was moved by Smith and seconded by Kimball to accept the November 13, 2023 minutes as amended. All five (5) votes were in favor.

Other:

- There was a brief discussion concerning a foraging event that had been planned on a local easement property. The event was cancelled. The person who had proposed this event has been invited to attend a Commission meeting to discuss how they could contribute to public outreach in some manner.

- Mooney indicated that there has been some recent communication with the owners and their real estate agency for a potential conservation easement project identified as P17- p#1 (E), CE.

Adjournment: It was moved by Smith and seconded by Colvard to adjourn the meeting. All five (5) votes were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan P. Mooney, Secretary

These minutes were accepted as read at the meeting held on January 8, 2024.