

## DEL MONTE FOREST PROPERTY OWNERS

### HIKING AND EQUESTRIAN TRAILS COMMITTEE (HETC) MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, January 10, 2018 4:00 p.m.

Pebble Beach Community Services District (PBCSD) Training Room

**Leadership Members present:** *DMFPO Board Members:* Bart Bruno and Kamlesh Parikh  
*Del Monte Forest Conservancy (DMFC) Board Members:* Don Eastman and Kimberly Caneer

**Others present:** *DMFPO Board Member:* Jeff Fuller

**Resource Members present:** *Pebble Beach Company (PBC):* Dawn Mathes  
*PBCSD:* Mike Niccum, General Manager  
*Open Space Advisory Committee Chairman:* Rick Verbanec

**Members present:** Richard Parrish, Averil Nero, Mary Wiltse, Thea Montella

**Guests present:** Margaret Towersey, Greg Albertson, Jody Le Towl, Anastazia Aziz, Amelia McBain, Zach McBain

- 1. Call to Order** – Chair Bruno called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.
- 2. Acceptance/Modification of Agenda** – Moved/seconded/carried to approve. There were no requested changes to the agenda.
- 3. Public Comment:** Ms. Anastazia Aziz stated she lives with her family including two elementary school age children on Majella Road near Country Club gate. There are many families with young children in the neighborhood. It is within walking distance to the local elementary school; however, there are limited safe trails and bike lanes that connect her neighborhood to Country Club gate. She felt that Forest Lodge Road between Country Club Gate and Sloat Road is very narrow, cars and trucks travel at fast speeds above 25 mph, and it is dangerous for pedestrians and cyclists, including children. She requested widening the road right-of-way to include both a safe pedestrian path and bike lane along this stretch of road to make it not only safer, but more enjoyable for those who chose to walk or bike for either pleasure or to get to school or shopping. Ms. Aziz thanked the committee for its consideration.

As the walking path that Ms. Aziz expressed concern about is not part of the existing Pebble Beach trail system that the HETC is tasked with maintaining, the matter was referred to Dawn Mathes/PBC to consider installing.

- 4. Approval of the Minutes** – It was moved by Member Eastman, seconded by Member Parikh, and unanimously carried to approve as presented the HETC meeting minutes of October 11, 2017.
- 5. PBCSD/Cal Fire:**
  - a. PBCSD General Manager, Mike Niccum had no report.
- 6. Pebble Beach Company:**

Chair Bruno reported that the monthly “Trail days” to assist PBC in performing trail work continues to be held on the last Tuesday of each month for anyone interested, meeting at the

Equestrian Center at 8:00am. He was very pleased with the work performed and thanked PBC for making good progress.

- a. Update on trail and open space improvements – Dawn Mathes reported that a half marathon is being held in Pebble Beach on Saturday, January 27, 2018, 7-11 a.m. The 17 Mile Drive from Spanish Bay to the Equestrian Center will be one way during the event. Details of the event will be posted to the DMFPO website at <https://www.dmfpo.org>.
- b. Trail maintenance status – Member Getreu was absent. Chair Bruno reported that routing a trail through Sawmill Gulch on MPCC property would require significant cost and numerous permits. An alternative is to span the gulch with approximately 28’ of inexpensive discarded truck bed (7-1/2’ wide) fastened at either end. The location would be across Sawmill Gulch off of Mission Road 100’ up the MPCC maintenance yard road between the creek and the yard road on the Mission Road side. Chair Bruno will bring a plan design to the next HETC meeting.

## **7. New Business:**

Del Monte Forest Conservancy President, Zigmont “Jody” Le Towt reported that there is a connector trail used by equestrians that runs from 17 Mile Drive up The Dunes Road past the Casita de Lemos that connects with the Red Trail just inside the gate across the dirt road leading to Indian Village. The road that the connector trail follows now serves as the entrance to the new PBC lots and has been recently paved; and piles of horse manure are being left along it. Director Le Towt suggested several solutions. Chair Bruno recommended that himself, Director Le Towt, a PBC representative, and an equestrian (i.e., Member Getreu) meet and determine how best to direct the horses/trail.

Chair Bruno reported that an issue with a trail on Stevenson School property has been resolved – Stevenson School will relocate the trail to HETC satisfaction prior to its completion of the new athletic field.

At the October 11, 2017 HETC meeting, DMFPO Director Abercrombie suggested installing a walking path for the safety of pedestrian traffic on the ocean side of 17 Mile Drive from where the Green Trail crosses near Spyglass Hill Road going south to Fanshell Beach where the trail dead ends. As the walking path requested is not part of the existing Pebble Beach trail system, the matter was referred to Dawn Mathes/PBC to consider installing.

- 8. Old Business:** Chair Bruno offered additional HETC trail grid maps and issue reporting sheets to anyone in need.

## **9. Announcements:**

- a. Next meeting – April 11, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. in the PBCSD board room

- 10. Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 4:28 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted by Laura Dadiw*