

**1093 RAILS TO TRAILS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CORPORATION  
Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes**

**February 6, 2023 at 4:00 PM**  
6810 Guyler Street, Wallis, Texas 77485

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1. Call to order. Meeting called approximately 4:30pm by Belinda Halfin, Chairperson.
2. Roll Call and Certification of a Quorum.
  - Board Members Present;  
Belinda Halfin, James King Gayelynn Thomas, Michael Cooper, Bill Ragle.
  - Attendees;  
H-GAC Cheryl Mergo & Andrea Tantillo, Nikole Cao, BGE Gary Gehbauer, NPS Josh Tucker & Martha \_\_\_\_\_, Olson & Olson Justin Pruitt.
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS: Communication from the public is limited to the first eight registrants – limited to three minutes in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1093 RTT LGC Board may not discuss or action any item that has not been posted on the agenda.
  - No Public comments.
4. CONSENT AGENDA: This portion of the agenda consists of items considers to be routine and will be enacted by one motion unless separate discussion is requested by a Board Member. MINUTES: January 9, 2023 Regular Meeting.
5. LGC, H-GAC & NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE ACTIVITIES:
  - a. Overview of 1093 RTT LGC for City of Simonton. **Do not attend, no overview.**
  - b. H-GAC Power Point and support for the Eagle Lake 01/28/23 Chamber Banquet.
  - c. H-GAC RTT Website, social media and coordination w/NPS developments.
    - H-GAC creating a ‘Stay Connected’ flyer with 1093 Rails to Trails Website, FB, Email, and Call Contact. Belinda to be the face of the LGC via NPS meetings for public relations.
  - d. Discuss NPS Community Engagement Planning and Contacts status, meeting places/dates.
    - March 7<sup>th</sup> 5:30-7pm at the Eagle Lake Community Center. NPS to present an overview into history of this trail plan, NPS to provide ‘stations’ to collect community input for the trail.
    - Joshua prompted LGC to set design standards reflective of each city or area along the trails.
    - Wallis NPS meeting dates TBD, target April and Fulshear 3<sup>rd</sup> week in May.
  - e. Share collected information on bridges and crossings, links/contacts to other trails.
    - James noted vacant parcel in Wallis, need to check on ownership.
    - Encroachments to the trail lease discussed, private drives, public crossings, etc. Justin advised stick w/ 100’ (50’/50’) scope as the lease boundaries and private crossing may need encroachments, which the LGC needs to log.
    - Martha of NPS to launch a portal for NPS webpage.
    - Need Elevations and GIS contact information for mapping the trail.
6. LEGAL ACTIVITIES:
  - a. Discuss approved FBTRA 1093 Rails-to-Trails Lease and Access Agreement.
  - b. Research if can participate in TML or if other government entity the LGC can utilize.
    - The LGC doesn’t qualify for TML, consider IRP Membership via city TML contact.
7. TRAIL PLANNING, INTERFACES & COORDINATION

- a. Continue input contacts and information to Nation Parks Service.
- b. Discuss forming Committees to assist promotion and information gathering activities.

**8. BUDGET PLANNING, GRANTS & FUND RAISING**

- a. Discuss possible pass-thru account with Wallis Knights of Columbus.
  - Approved to use KofC-501c3 account as start for LGC fund raising monies.
- b. Discuss process to submit RFQ for Liability Insurance coverage, per FBTRA Lease.
  - Need to secure quotes and plan to raise money this and other expenses for LGC business.

**9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- Waive March Regular Meeting, due to next day being the NPS Meeting at Eagle Lake.
- Research setting up a 501c# fundraising entity 'Friends of the Trail' or something related.

**10. ADJOURN**