

**Carrboro Greenways Commission**  
**Minutes**  
**April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

**At –Large Members Present**

\*George Daniel (Chair) – At Large  
\*Robert Kirschner- At Large  
\*Salli Benedict- At Large  
\*Amber Wagner- At Large

**Representatives Present**

\* Eric Allman – Recreation and Parks Commission  
\*Dave Otto- Friends of Bolin Creek (Vice-chair)  
\*Heidi Paulsen – Planning Board

**Staff Present**

Marabeth Carr – Orange County Environmental Resources and Conservation Department  
Randy Dodd- Town of Carrboro Planning Department  
Ray Magyar-UNC  
Adena Messinger- Town of Carrboro Planning Department  
Bill Webster – Town of Chapel Hill  
Brendan Moore- Town of Carrboro Recreation and Parks Department

**Aldermen Present**

\*Randee Haven-O’Donnell

**Absent**

\*Gary Junker- Chapel Hill/Carrboro City Schools  
\*Livy Ludington- Chapel Hill/Carrboro City Schools  
\*Andreas Hay-Environmental Advisory Board  
Nick Parker – OWASA  
\*Johnny Randall- Morgan Creek Valley Alliance/NC Botanical Garden  
\*Katie Schwing –Transportation Advisory Board

**Guests**

Britt Mylacraine, Greenways Incorporated  
Chris Dye, Greenways Incorporated  
Kerry Brewer, Sustain Foundation

\* indicates voting member

- I. **Call to Order-** George Daniel called the meeting to order at approximately 6:40 p.m.
- II. **Approval of Minutes-** The minutes for March were approved by unanimous vote.
- III. **Update on Morgan Creek Planning (Staff)-** Adena presented a brief update of progress on the Conceptual Plan for Morgan Creek. This project is moving forward on schedule and the consultants will be ready for a work session with the Greenways Commission in May.
- IV. **Sustain Foundation presentation-** Kerry Brewer presented the newly printed trail maps that the Sustain Foundation had developed for trails in Carrboro and Chapel Hill. She shared the mission of the foundation, gave an overview of the trail guides, and announced TrailFest – the first annual event at Weaver Street Market. TrailFest was designed to raise awareness about the trails in

Carrboro and Chapel Hill and featured a variety of groups from around the area. TrailFest was held on April 26.

V. **Bolin Creek Work Session** – Britt, from Greenways Incorporated, started off the work session with a brief overview of the upcoming public workshop, describing the layout and flow. Commission members offered that it will be key to educate the public on greenway development in Carrboro so that there is context for the project.

Next, Britt presented three alignment alternatives for the Bolin Creek/Jones Creek trail. After a review of the map symbology, Commission members broke out into two groups to review the three alternatives and provide feedback to Britt and Chris in preparation for the May public workshop. Each group had approximately 20 minutes to review each alternative, ask questions and make recommendations for the final maps that will be presented to the public. At the end of the breakout session, the Commission regrouped and shared some overall comments on the maps.

VI. **Announcements-** Commission members spent a few moments talking about their role for the May public workshop. Commission members are encouraged to attend the meeting at their convenience and be available to speak with other members of the public or help at one of the stations.

Dave Otto inquired about whether the Commission will be meeting in July. Staff replied that it remains to be determined by the Commission, but that there will be a better sense of if a July meeting is necessary in May. Commission members expressed a preference for having the Morgan Creek public workshop *be* the June Commission meeting so as not to have multiple meetings in one week.

VII. **Next Regular Meeting:** May 18<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 – 9:00 PM. Dinner will be provided.

VIII. Meeting was adjourned at 8:52 p.m.