

## OHCC Meeting Minutes Tuesday May 9, 2023

1. Approved April minutes.
2. **Select Board** – No report this month.
3. **Treasurers Report** – *Robin White* reported no changes in the commission’s finances.
4. **Website** - *Stuart Rich* reported an increase in web page activity (270 hits).
5. **Next Months Meeting Facilitator** – *Kathryn DerMarderosian* will facilitate next month’s meeting.
6. **Roadside Cleanup** – *Jim Devery* reported that the roadside cleanup effort went well; a number of residents participated alongside the **OHCC** members.
7. **Email/Contact List** – *Jim Devery* explained that the initial batch of donor contacts has been loaded into a database; the next step involves loading the prospect list developed during the **Plaisted Expansion** fund raising campaign.
8. **Sheep Island Program** – *Robin White* reported that the Sheep Island program was well attended. She also explained how MCHT plans to manage camping on the island.
9. **Plaisted Trail Maintenance Plans** – The group discussed several trail maintenance organization and *Robin White* offered to contact **MCHT** and ask for their recommendations for performing trail work.
10. **Chewonki Program at A.P. School** – *Beth Long* noted that the principal of A. P. School was very enthusiastic about the possibility of holding a **Chewonki Program** at the school next year. The group agreed to sponsor the event and will move things forward with the school.
11. **Community Garden** - *Kathryn DerMarderosian* will follow up with *Ben Tripp*, the Principal of **A.P. School** to see if a staff member is willing to lead an effort to create a community garden at the school. The OHCC would provide technical guidance.
12. **Dark Skies Program** – The group discussed various venues for the **Dark Skies Program**. *Beth Long* noted that we could make arrangements with the principal of **A.P. School** and use the auditorium for such an event.
13. **Plaisted Work Day** – Postponed until maintenance plans are finalized.
14. [Herring Gut Science Center](#) - *Kathryn DerMarderosian* is planning to contact the Herring Gut Science Center to see if any of their students are interested in volunteering with trail work at **Plaisted**.

**Attendees**

Kathryn DerMarderosian

Jim Devery

Beth Long (via email)

Stuart Rich

Robin White

**Next Meeting: Tuesday June 13 at 6:00 PM at the OH Library**