



MINUTES FINAL
Girdwood Trails Committee Regular Meeting
Tuesday, May 6 2025 7:00PM

Girdwood Trails Committee meetings are taking place on Teams with in-person attendance at the Girdwood Community Room, 250 Egloff Rd.

GTC Voting members are defined as any person eighteen (18) years of age or older who has attended one or more Trails Committee meetings in the last 12 months, and is:

- a) a current resident and/or property owner, business owner or designated representative of a non-profit association; and
- b) who has resided in, owned property in, owned a business located in, or operated as a non-profit association for the preceding ninety (90) days or longer in Girdwood Valley.

Attendance is verified through a sign-in sheet available at each meeting, or equivalent process.

The Girdwood Board of Supervisors, its committees, and subcommittees are subject to the Alaska Open Meetings Act as found in Alaska Statute 44.62.310 and Anchorage Municipal Code 1.25 - Public Meetings.

The Girdwood Trails Committee operates under the Girdwood Public Meetings Standards of Conduct.

Call to Order

Approval of May 6 meeting agenda	Brodin/Hamre	Assent
Revised to move Item #5 to Old Business	Brodin/Hamre	
Approval of April 1 2025 meeting minutes	Brodin/Burnett	Assent

Announcements & Presentations:

Girdwood Parks Master Plan project is kicking off with steering committee meeting in June, community survey and stakeholder interviews. Project website is: www.girdwoodparksplan.com.

Patty Hamre and Will Brennan express interest in participating on steering committee.

Introductions: None

Public Comment (3 minutes each): None

Old Business:

1. Girdwood Comprehensive Plan RE Parcel 6-011 and Upper Valley Trails

Girdwood Comprehensive Plan was adopted by the Assembly officially on April 22. Amendment was added by Zac Johnson that establishes trail priorities within parcel 6-011. Disposal of the parcel is expected on the HLBAC agenda soon. Next meeting is May 22, agenda will be posted May 16.

2. Update on Winner Creek Trail Bridge at Glacier Creek

Full design package has been received; estimate includes contingency funds for tariffs on steel. Staff and others working on the project are considering strategy for putting out to bid. Currently anticipate putting out to bid this fall, which would provide time for contractor to acquire materials over the winter. Unlikely any site work would be completed in 2025.

3. Consider Community Trails Info message for upcoming month to be shared on social media

Likely Trail Work parties will be the focus of info messages throughout the summer. Specifics are to be determined. Likely a late May work party (May 20 or 27), June and July dates to replace summer meetings.

4. Girdwood Trails Management Plan Revision and Review

Kate and Barb have completed Introduction and Chapters 1-4. Appendices will take a lot of work. GTC is asked to review the work that has been done so far and provide comments.

5. Consider canceling June and July GTC meetings and holding Trails Work parties instead.

Motion:

GTC moves to hold trail work parties in June and July instead of formal meetings.

Motion by Brodin/2nd Sandberg

Motion carries by Assent vote

New Business: None

Other:

6. Ongoing Trails Issues for update:
 - Trails maps:
Winter map hasn't come back from contractor yet. Summer map is being printed and will be posted at the 5K parking area shortly.
 - Girdwood Trails Management Plan update: Previously discussed.
Draft posted for review under Trails Committee Items of Interest, earlier version is also posted:
[Girdwood Trails Management Plan Intro thru Chapt. 4 DRAFT revision 5.25](#)
[Girdwood Valley Trails Management Plan 2020 Revision](#)
 - Status of Trails grants: See meeting packet
 - Summer Trails Project List: See meeting packet
 - Other Trails Issues
Concern about Max's access from Virgin Creek Falls Trail if sale of Skillings property is completed.
Winner Creek trail impacted by new Alyeska Parking area. Concern for recreation impacts, resource damage and safety. USFS, DNR and Alyeska/Pomeroy are discussing.
Downed trees cleared on Abes/California Creek Loop.
 - Trails work parties: Previously discussed. Many trail projects on deck for the summer. Specifics of work parties will be shared closer to work party dates. Additional work may be coordinated as well.
7. Monthly LUC/GBOS Meeting Representatives:
8. Written Reports should be submitted to include in meeting packet

Adjourn 8PM