# Horse Pen Run Committee Held Virtually via Zoom March13, 2024, Minutes

**In Attendance:** Aaron Emery, Taylor Couch, Steve LeHew, Vance Middleton, David Barrie, Alys Jarvela, and Catherine Neelley (PMP)

Absent: Bob Griesbach, Stacy Whitehouse.

Dave Barrie called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

The agenda was unanimously approved.

## **Pollinator Habitat:**

• Alys projects sometime in April she will gather some volunteers and put up a wooden fence. There are funds still available to purchase fencing, cement, etc.

### **Grass Cutting**

- Grass cutting- We have repaired both of the yellow grass cutting units. Steve has suggested we consider trading these units in and get a bush hog.
- Steve to find out cost of other possible equipment
- Still need to purchase a manual push lawn mower for the smaller trails, that our current units cannot be used on these smaller trails

#### **Stream Remediation**

- David will find out the dates of completion for both phase 1 & 2 of this project.
- Phase 1 is projected to last 18 more months. September 2025 per Michele Seib, P.E. Senior Stormwater Engineer Department of General Services. Phase 2 is projected to start after Phase 1 is complete and we are trying to get info on the impact on CountrySide on the Heritage trail and the Askegren property.

#### **Askegren Property Purchase**

• Loudoun County is purchasing the Askegren property - 90 acres nestled along the Potomac River to the West of CountrySide. David will find out the start and completion date of this project.

### **Herbicide Use in HPR**

• A motion was made by Alys: "I move that we request that Advantage Landscape manually clear the drainage ditches and not use herbicides in HPR". The motion was unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 P.M. David Barrie