



# Trails and Greenways Committee

Monday, April 12, 2021 at 6:00 pm

1. CALL TO ORDER, PRAYER AND PLEDGE
2. ROLL CALL
3. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/CHANGES
4. CONSENT AGENDA
  - a. Approval of Minutes of 03/08/2021  
Exhibit: Agenda Report Number 4a

**Attachments:**

- **Agenda Report Number 4a** (Agenda\_Report\_Number\_4a.pdf)

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS
6. ACTION ITEMS : 0
7. DISCUSSION ITEMS:
  - a. Trail, Kiosk and Firebreak Conditions
  - b. Eagles Nest Trailhead Update  
Exhibit: Agenda Report Number 7b

**Attachments:**

- **Agenda Report Number 7b** (Agenda\_Report\_Number\_7b.pdf)

- c. North Corey Road/Cameron Preserve Update  
Exhibit: Agenda Report Number 7c

**Attachments:**

- **Agenda Report Number 7c** (Agenda\_Report\_Number\_7c.pdf)

- d. Next Field Event - TBD
  8. OLD/NEW BUSINESS
    - a. Board Member Comments
    - b. Next Scheduled Meeting Date is 05/10/2021
  9. ADJOURNMENT

# TOWN OF MALABAR

## TRAILS & GREENWAYS COMMITTEE MEETING

**AGENDA ITEM NO: 4.a**  
**Meeting Date: April 12, 2021**

Prepared By: Richard W. Kohler, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer

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**SUBJECT:** Consent Agenda

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**BACKGROUND/HISTORY:**

- a. Trails & Greenways Committee Meeting Minutes of 03/08/2021

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- a. Draft Minutes of 03/08/2021

**ACTION OPTIONS:**

Committee Action on Consent Agenda

**MALABAR TRAILS AND GREENWAYS COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING**  
**March 8th, 2021 6:00 PM**

This meeting of the Malabar Trails and Greenways Committee was held at Town Hall at 2725 Malabar Road.

**1. CALL TO ORDER, PRAYER AND PLEDGE:**  
Meeting called to order at 6:07 P.M. Prayer and Pledge led by Vice-Chair Hann.

**2. ROLL CALL:**

CHAIR:	DREW THOMPSON-Via Phone
VICE-CHAIR:	MURRAY HANN
BOARD MEMBERS:	ANNELIE HARVEY
	BOB WILBUR
	BARBARA CAMERON
BOARD SECRETARY:	RICHARD KOHLER

**3. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/CHANGES**

None

**4. CONSENT AGENDA**

**4.a. Regular Trails and Greenways Committee Mtg Minutes of 02/08/2021**  
**Committee Members Wilbur/Cameron move to accept the minutes of 02/08/2021 as presented.**  
**All Ayes: Motion Carried 5-0 (all ayes).**

**5. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**6. ACTION ITEMS: NONE**

**7. DISCUSSION**

**a. Trail, Kiosk, and Firebreak Conditions**

-Vice Chair Hann stated kiosks need new and improved maps. We will bring it to the committee to have professional maps made. Hopefully, we can include the new trail. CM Wilbur stated he has tried to get a map from EELS about grass in the firebreak. He states the Department of Forestry does this kind of work. He will check with them to see what they can do. This will help the Malabar FD protect the communities around the sanctuary. Chair Thompson asked if Kyle Buffalo had been contacted. CM Wilbur stated Mr. Buffalo stated he would donate an hour of his time to the project. Vice-Chair Hann states he can make a map for this project.

**b. Eagles Nest Trailhead Update – Site Plan Development – Drone, GPS, Reference Points, Diagonal Parking**

-On Wednesday February 24<sup>th</sup>, the committee marked points on the map, and identified areas of interest. Chair Thompson states we should get an ariel photo from a drone. Vice Chair Hann stats he can get those this weekend. CM Wilbur stated if we mark the area he can start grinding. Chair Thompson suggest moving parking to the eastern side to help preserve some big trees. CM Wilbur stated there is a drainage swale in that area, we may want to wait until the rainy season. Secretary Kohler stated ITM Morrell suggested we wait to install the culvert. CM Wilbur states we should look at a contractor to install them in the limited dry season. Chair Thompson states the goal for this year is to spend money before the fiscal year ends. CM Wilbur asks if PW can survey the area for us? CM Cameron asks if

we are going to disc the area? CM Wilbur states we will root rake it. Asks if a private contractor can put scraps into the Town PW yard. Vice Chair Hann asks what the next steps should be. Chair Thompson states we should work on the road. CM Wilbur states next steps are GPS, drone, mark, and grind. Then the road base begins.

c. **Paved Al Tuttle Connector from North Corey Road**

-Secretary Kohler gave a brief overview of the correspondence between Engineer Trauger and Town Representatives. Vice Chair Hann states he has sent the cross sections of the Al Tuttle Trail to Mrs. Trauger.

d. **Connection from Turkey Creek Trails to Grapefruit Trails Status**

-On March 3-7, the BMBA completed the first of two bridges on this trail. The trail was coordinated with the Turkey Creek Sanctuary Land Manager and other county and city officials. Vice Chair Hann gave a detailed explanation of the build. He stated the bridge is above the high-water line, and the support poles are cemented into the ground. Chair Thompson thanked Vice Chair Hann for his leadership on this project. Vice Chair Hann stated that there is only one bridge left to build, and there are BMBA members scouting that area now. Hopefully that project will begin within a month.

e. **Fall in Love with SpringFest 2021 (March 20<sup>th</sup>) T&GC Info Table**

- Secretary Kohler stated that as a Town of Malabar Organization, there would be no fee for the Trails and Greenways Committee to host a booth at "Fall in Love with SpringFest" which is being held at Malabar Community Park on March 20<sup>th</sup> from 9-1. CM Harvey stated she can man a table for the event. Vice Chair Hann states he has a nice map in his garage we can use. Chair Thompson stated he can work on a presentation for ENT.

f. **Next Field Day - TBD**

- Chair Thompson asked if Mr. Smith would be available to GPS the ENT soon? VC Hann stated we should be able to make that happen soon. VC Hann stated Craig Smith may donate an engineer to do the surveying.

9. **OLD/NEW BUSINESS**

a. **Old Business:**

Chair Thompson thanked Murray and the BMBA for their efforts.

CM Wilbur stated interest in researching the Power Line Trail.

CM Cameron asked about the name of Eschenburg Park.

CM Harvey stated the photos go in the photo display, also send info to Richard for SpringFest.

b. **New Business:**

- Next Regular Meeting- April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021

10. **ADJOURN**

There being no further business to discuss

MOTION Wilbur/Harvey . Vote: All Ayes. The meeting adjourned 7:13 PM.

BY:

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Drew Thompson Chair

04/12/2021

Date Approved: as presented/corrected:

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Richard W. Kohler, Board Secretary

# TOWN OF MALABAR

## TRAILS & GREENWAYS COMMITTEE MEETING

**AGENDA ITEM NO: 7.b**  
**Meeting Date: April 12, 2021**

Prepared By: Richard W. Kohler, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer

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**SUBJECT:** Eagles Nest Trailhead Update

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**BACKGROUND/HISTORY:**

- a. After the last Trails and Greenways Committee Meeting, the T&G group held a workday on 3/17 to GPS mark areas of interest. The areal map is attached.
- b. On Tuesday March 30<sup>th</sup>, Mr. Smith contacted the Committee about publishing an update about the ENT for the Brevard Mountain Bike Association's newsletter. A copy of that update has been attached for your review.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- a. Areal image of GPS markings.
- b. E-mail chain between Secretary Kohler and Mr. Craig Smith discussing newsletter update.

**ACTION OPTIONS:**

Review



Declination: 47°

Marte Street

Jordan Scrub Sanctuary

Eagle's Nest

White Trail Parking/Perimeter Road

Jordan Scrub Sanctuary

Marte Street

White Trail/Perimeter Road

Marte Street

Jordan Scrub Sanctuary

White Post

EXIT POST 1

EXIT POST 2

WHITE TREE 1

WHITE TREE 2

PINE 7

PINE 6

WHITE TREE 3

ENTER POST 1

ENTER POST 2

PINE 1

PINE 2

PINE 3

PINE 4

WHITE TREE 1

PINE 5

SWI POST

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**Re: Eagles Nest Trailhead****Richard Kohler** <rkohler@townofmalabar.org>

Tue 3/30/2021 11:38 AM

**To:** Craig A Smith <craigallensmith@me.com>; drew.thompson@prosolent.com <drew.thompson@prosolent.com>  
**Cc:** Murray Hann <Murray.hann@icloud.com>; Barbara Cameron <bkcameron.bc@gmail.com>; twc3219566914@earthlink.net <twc3219566914@earthlink.net>; brushbusterslci@aol.com <brushbusterslci@aol.com>

Below is the new and updated draft. Please have any and all submissions in to me by 12:15 PM today.

[RE-REVISED] BMBA Jordan Scrub Update:

The Town of Malabar Trail and Greenways Committee (T&GC) is developing the new Eagles Nest Trailhead (ENT) at the Jordan Scrub Sanctuary. While this new trailhead will be geared towards equestrian riders and feature a looped parking lot to allow horse trailer parking, resting paddocks, watering station, and facilities, it will also be hiker and biker friendly (think of this as a smaller version of the Sand Hill Trailhead at 1400 Marie St.). Plans include picnic tables, parking for your bike, and an observation deck/shelter similar to the Cameron Trail Shelter (CTS) and BMBA will have a kiosk. A variety of habitat types are found in this 354-acre sanctuary including scenic lakes, seasonal marshes, and scrubby flatwoods. Additional trails are also planned for future development. This project is in the early days of work but is expected to be developed enough to open for use during 2021. Stay tuned to BMBA for updates, we will surely let you know if/when volunteers are needed as this project moves forward. For more information on this exciting project please visit the Town of Malabar website at <https://www.townofmalabar.org/public-works-department/parks-department/pages/eagles-nest-trailhead>

Thank you all for your input and assistance.

Richard W. Kohler  
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Deputy Clerk/Treasurer  
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**From:** Richard Kohler <rkohler@townofmalabar.org>

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 30, 2021 11:12 AM

**To:** Craig A Smith <craigallensmith@me.com>; drew.thompson@prosolent.com <drew.thompson@prosolent.com>

**Cc:** Murray Hann <Murray.hann@icloud.com>; Barbara Cameron <bkcameron.bc@gmail.com>; twc3219566914@earthlink.net <twc3219566914@earthlink.net>; brushbusterslci@aol.com <brushbusterslci@aol.com>

**Subject:** Re: Eagles Nest Trailhead

Copied from an email from Drew:

Craig,

Getting word out on ENT happenings to the BMBA members would be great. Please view this message in HTML format.

# TOWN OF MALABAR

## TRAILS & GREENWAYS COMMITTEE MEETING

**AGENDA ITEM NO: 7.c**  
**Meeting Date: April 12, 2021**

**Prepared By: Richard W. Kohler, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer**

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**SUBJECT: North Corey Road/Cameron Preserve Update**

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**BACKGROUND/HISTORY:**

- a. Committee Chair Drew Thompson has been attempting to contact the Brevard County EELs program for information on disking firebreaks in the Cameron Preserve. Attached are his e-mails with county officials.
- b. After the construction of the home on the North end of Corey Road, it was noted that the road was beginning to deteriorate. During the last week of March, the Town of Malabar Public Works Department brought in loads of road base and improved the area.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- a. E-mail chain between Chair Thompson and EELs employee Steve McGuffey.
- b. Photos of Malabar PW team working on North Corey Road.

**ACTION OPTIONS:**

Review



**RE: TOM T&GC - Request for Aerial Image File of Cameron Preserve With Identification of Cogongrass Firebreak Locations Needing Removal**

drew.thompson@prosolent.com <drew.thompson@prosolent.com>

Wed 3/31/2021 10:37 AM

To: 'McGuffey, Steve' <steve.mcguffey@brevardfl.gov>

Cc: 'MANLEY, BRADLEY' <brad.manley@brevardfl.gov>; Richard Kohler <rkohler@townofmalabar.org>

Steve,

I appreciate your response and clarification of related factors.

**I will share your reply with appropriate others at TOM and TOM T&GC so that we can move forward on this.**

I look forward to working with you on EEL Program issues, especially where TOM T&GC and/or BHCA (Brook Hollow Community Association) are involved. Please contact me if you have concerns or questions related to either organization (I have included website URLs below).

**If you have further contact with Chris, could you please convey that TOM T&GC and BHCA both thank him for his work and wish him success in his future endeavors?**

Thank you,

Drew

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**From:** McGuffey, Steve <steve.mcguffey@brevardfl.gov>

**Sent:** Wednesday, March 31, 2021 9:10 AM

**To:** MANLEY, BRADLEY <brad.manley@brevardfl.gov>; drew.thompson@prosolent.com;  
rkohler@townofmalabar.org

**Subject:** RE: TOM T&GC - Request for Aerial Image File of Cameron Preserve With Identification of Cogongrass Firebreak Locations Needing Removal

Hi Drew,

Chris is no longer with the EEL Program. I am the Land Manager for the South Region including Malabar Scrub. When we went to disk your firebreaks in Cameron, they were overgrown with grass and we could not disk them and also had patches of cogon grass in spots. I had asked if the Town could mow all the firebreaks they would like disked and herbicide the cogon grass. I just lost two of my staff and being short staff I don't really have time to map out the cogon grass on Cameron. It is pretty easy to identify. After you mow the lines it should be easy for Ecor to locate the patches as they are growing back in. Once the lines are mowed and cogon grass killed we would be happy to continue disking the lines in Cameron when we are in the area disking Malabar Scrub. The Town will need to keep up on maintaining the lines by periodic mowing of the lines and spraying of the cogon grass in order for our tractor and disc to be able to keep disking the lines in Cameron.

Thank you,

Steve McGuffey  
Land Management Superintendent South Region  
Brevard County Environmental Lands Program  
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**From:** MANLEY, BRADLEY  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 31, 2021 8:42 AM  
**To:** McGuffey, Steve <[steve.mcguffey@brevardfl.gov](mailto:steve.mcguffey@brevardfl.gov)>  
**Subject:** FW: TOM T&GC - Request for Aerial Image File of Cameron Preserve With Identification of Cogongrass Firebreak Locations Needing Removal

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**From:** [drew.thompson@prosolent.com](mailto:drew.thompson@prosolent.com) <[drew.thompson@prosolent.com](mailto:drew.thompson@prosolent.com)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 30, 2021 5:34 PM  
**To:** O'HARA, CHRISTOPHER <[chris.ohara@brevardfl.gov](mailto:chris.ohara@brevardfl.gov)>; MANLEY, BRADLEY <[brad.manley@brevardfl.gov](mailto:brad.manley@brevardfl.gov)>  
**Cc:** Richard Kohler <[RKohler@townofmalabar.org](mailto:RKohler@townofmalabar.org)>  
**Subject:** TOM T&GC - Request for Aerial Image File of Cameron Preserve With Identification of Cogongrass Firebreak Locations Needing Removal

**[EXTERNAL EMAIL]** DO NOT CLICK links or attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Chris and Brad,

I am not sure if either or both of you are the appropriate individual(s) to contact; however, I thought that I would now try with an additional request that you otherwise please forward this to the right EEL Program person accordingly.

**Could you please provide to me (TOM T&GC) an aerial image file of Cameron Preserve, with annotation of current locations where Cogongrass needs to be removed?**

With Cameron Preserve situated between Malabar Scrub Sanctuaries East and West, I know that the EEL Program would like for the fire breaks within Cameron to be in a viable condition. It is my understanding that Bob Wilbur has tentatively coordinated through Florida Forest Service that they will bring their equipment and reset the Cameron firebreaks if the Cogongrass is first eliminated. To rid the Cogongrass, the tentative plan is for Bob Wilbur to mow low the areas of Cogongrass with his effort followed a few weeks later by Ecor Lawn Spray & Pest Control applying an appropriate herbicide treatment of new Cogongrass shoots then emerging. Once the Cogongrass is eliminated, Bob will alert Florida Forest Service that the grass is gone and Cameron is then ready for firebreak reset.

I apologize if I am somehow asking the above inappropriately. TOM T&GC is just trying to keep up greenway maintenance to be safe and before the raining season sets in.

Please let me know if you have any questions and/or if you need additional information or actions by me at this time.

Thank you,

Drew Thompson  
Chair, Trails & Greenways Committee, Town of Malabar

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