



COMOTA Board Meeting Minutes

Date: March 18, 2026

Location: 1901 Vandiver

Attendance:

☐ Mark Alvarez	☒ Nate Smith	☒ Yvonne Buehheit	☒ Andrea Earlywine
☒ Anita Ellis	☒ Josh Johnson	☒ Anatolie Juneu	☐ Beth Kelly
☐ Michelle Teti	☐ Lelande Rehard	☒ Andy Schuette	☐ Philip Stambaugh

- I. Call to Order: 704 PM
- II. Approval of Agenda: Anita & Josh
- III. Approval of Minutes: Josh & Andy
- IV. Treasurer's Report

Current Total	\$60,231
February Expenditures	\$496 Rock Guard - will be reimbursed from forest service
Other Comments	

- V. Committee/Event Quick Reports
 - a. Admin/Govt:
 - b. Trail Work: Anatolie did tool inventory; Trail work event expectations
 - c. Trail Advocacy: Group met a couple times; trying to decide priorities
 - d. Community Outreach: met once and assigned some tasks; tabled items for Kay Linn discussion
 - e. Finance/Fundraising:
- VI. Ongoing Business
 - a. Volunteer Hours Report - 298 total hours for January 1 - March 17, 2026
 - i. continue to log our hours: <https://comotrails.org/log-your-volunteer-hours/>
 - b. Strategic Plan Discussion
 - i. Board member pledge signing - check with Beth Kelly on who needs to sign
 - ii. Discuss Kay - Linn additional Support (see attachment) - Josh and Andrea motion to approve option a.
 - 1. Options:
 - a. **Communication Support - Messaging document & Annual communications plan**
 - b. Trail Maintenance Model
 - c. Quarterly check to help facilitate adoption of 2026 tactical plan
 - d. Development Support - case statement/stock grant language



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- c. Rock Bridge Springbrook Trail Reroute- Andy: the tread is essentially complete. Need to finish the fine details and close the current trail. Reroute should be open before Summer time
 - d. Spring Chainsaw Class - Nate: April 17 - 19 - Almost full on both sessions. Will be held at the Englewood community center. Will be providing meals at lunch. Can only have 12 for the initial and 12 for the recert. Will need First Aid/CPR to get chainsaw certified
 - e. Pinnacles Trail Development - Nate: Nate met with Mike - trail/paths in creek bottoms on property; need string trimming of corridor.
 - f. The Nature Conservancy Trail Support Letter - Nate: In Progress - waiting to hear back from Nature Conservation; probably won't be until fall
- VII. New Business.
- a. MDC - Diana Bend reroute approval - Andy/Nate: Met with Sarah Franz on Monday. Approved Diana Bend overlook trail re-route. Fall 2026 at the earliest.
 - i. Would like help with invasive species removal at Gans Recreation Area
 - ii. Eagle Bluffs - main parking will be closed until this fall
- VIII. Upcoming Events -
- a. MTNF work events - Nate - Moon Loop this weekend; gonna use the CaneyCom
 - b. forColumbia - Nate - April 25 at Gans Recreation Area - will need 4-5 COMOTA volunteers
 - i. Tree Planting
 - c. Alpine Shop Spring Showcase? Maybe in April
 - d. National Trails Day
- IX. Adjournment: 7:49 PM

Action/Event	Owner	Due Date
Three Creeks Torrent @ Three Creeks Conservation Area - thanks to volunteers Andrea, Anita, Garner and Nate. 90 runners	Nate	March 14, 2026
ForColumbia w/ City Parks & Rec @ Gans Creek Rec Area		April 25th, 2026
Alpine Shop Spring Showcase @ Alpine Shop CoMO		End of April 2026
National Trails Day		June 6, 2026
Rhett's Run		June 14, 2026
National Public lands day		September 26, 2026
SMSGs		July 2026
Alpine Shop Pint Night		July 23, 5-7pm



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MU student Fair (Sustain Mizzou)		Fall 2026
CTC Fall Thursday Night Trail Runs		Fall 2026
Rock Bridge Revenge		October 17, 2026
Hinkson Happy Hour		Fall 2026
COMOTA Volunteer Appreciation Event		Winter 2026-2027
Columbia Earth Day		April 2027