Trail Talk Tuesday 11-14-23  Chat

01:00:11 Elizabeth Burger: here is one trail MOU from American Trails website:  

01:01:08 Elizabeth Burger: Here is example of trail MOA from New York Dept of Recreation and a Trail "Friends" group  
https://parks.ny.gov/documents/recreation/trails/TrailsTechnicalSampleTrailsMemorandumAgreement.pdf

01:04:38 Elizabeth Burger: here is an easy-read article on finding fiscal agent if you need one:  
https://www.fool.com/the-ascent/small-business/articles/fiscal-sponsorship/

01:13:18 Friends of the River Foundation, Anne Hoekstra: What kind of watch is John Leahy using?

01:13:31 John Leahy: ORKA  
https://orkahub.kansagis.org/

01:14:04 John Leahy: Google Earth Pro Starters Guide:  
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1qhdIQzo4XXrOoj9y_ztNQ98Gku6o7yWSznr4xBZPY/edit?usp=sharing

01:14:35 Michael Goodwin: Not sure what John is wearing but I use a Garmin Fenix watch. The gps track that it records can be uploaded to Garmin connect and imported into Google Earth

01:14:46 John Leahy: Replying to "What kind of watch i..." I'm using a garmin 45

01:14:59 Michael Goodwin: There are many smart phone apps that also record gps tracks

01:18:13 Clayton Pearson - BikeWalk Wichita: For general public, Strava or RideWithGPS are the two that I find are easiest for people to use. If you want to route your path, you can click start ride/walk, and walk the path you want. Just keep in mind it's a rough sketch. In practice, I usually find it's accurate to the level of 3 to 15 feet.

01:19:04 Michael Goodwin: If you want to see trail maps all over Kansas check out  
https://www.getoutdoorskansas.org/ with over 4,000 miles mapped.

01:20:13 John Leahy: To add to Clayton's point, I generally walk the same path multiple times to refine the exact path the trail will follow.

01:20:24 Ron Wilson: Where is there data on how trails increase property values?

01:20:56 Clayton Pearson - BikeWalk Wichita: I do wonder when you are trying to use or developments directly with governments, especially smaller governments, are they using Google also? Or is it just ESRI?

01:21:11 Clayton Pearson - BikeWalk Wichita: Reacted to "To add to Clayton's ..." with 👍

01:22:21 Clayton Pearson - BikeWalk Wichita: In other words, if you use Google, is there a point where somebody is likely to duplicate or copy into a different system?

01:22:40 John Leahy: Replying to "Where is there data ..."
Mr. Wilson, you might have to reach out to your county appraiser's office to get information on that. There is some base appraisal information on ORKA but not historical data. They sometime also have a different county GIS site that provides information slightly different than ORKA.

Michelle Griffin: What do people use to measure trail usage?

First Fridays had a webinar on trails and economic development with lots of references to trails and property values: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4068TgP3r3o](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4068TgP3r3o)

Ron Wilson: Replying to "Where is there data ...

Thanks

Michelle Griffin: And is there a statewide trail association or group?

here is a specific study on trails/property values: [https://headwaterseconomics.org/trail/19-omaha-recreational-trails/](https://headwaterseconomics.org/trail/19-omaha-recreational-trails/)

John Leahy: Replying to "In other words, if y...

It depends on the particular governments-some will have access to ESRI if they have people familiar working with it. Google Earth and ESRI can talk to each other, so yes data can be copied into a different system.

Clayton Pearson - BikeWalk Wichita: In the Wichita area, I know there are a wide range of tools. Including infra-red sensors, trail cameras, manually going out with eyes, and in-concrete piezo counters. Sometimes combining multiple tools at the same time.

Michelle Griffin: Replying to "In the Wichita area,..."

Thanks Clayton. Can I reach out to you by email?

Elizabeth Burger: Headwaters Economics has a fabulous library of trail data/resources - you can filter by your interest (health, business, property values, etc) [https://headwaterseconomics.org/trail/](https://headwaterseconomics.org/trail/)

Clayton Pearson - BikeWalk Wichita: Replying to "In the Wichita area,..."

You can. I'm at Claytonphoto@aol.com. That said, Larry Hatfield might be an even better contact. I know that his organization has been very involved in researching counting techniques.

Clayton Pearson - BikeWalk Wichita: Replying to "In the Wichita area,..."

One other point I can make in regards to Wichita experience for inside the city..... for intra-red sensors, they were getting some "Contaminated" results due to non-humans also using the trail. Large dogs, deer, horses, ect.

Doug Palen: Larry, You mentioned a couple of times that your trail is private. I'm curious how you handle the liability insurance for your trails.
They also had some problems with some of the counters getting bug infested.

I can't say this with 100% confidence. But I heard several references that bugs liked to feed on the plastic coating of the wires.

When it comes from a timeline of initial proposal to the trail is built, have we seen if the "Transportation" or "Recreation" arguments gain more traction to move things forward? Or is that a very context driven question?

The recording, PPT and Chat will be at https://ksre-learn.com/public-trails

Thank you much!

Remember most watches and phones have accuracy of 2 to 12 meters Circular Error Probability depending on satellite coverage and overhead interferences (vegetation on trees). Also the receiver in the watch or phone varies in accuracy.

We had a First Impressions visit and the visitors said, "We love your trail at the entrance of town." The local community said, "We call it the trail to the Dollar Store."

It was being used by moms with strollers and all kinds of people when we saw it.

We acquired a team video from Fredonia High School Cross Country Coach last week - only two miles of trail done but a high school team is using it for practice to stay off the streets.

I know there is a similar thing happening with Andover High School and the Redbud trail. You could argue that the trail is the primary training grounds for their Cross Country team. And the Cross Country team were even a critical factor in the split paved/gravel design of the Redbud.