New Hope Creek Corridor Advisory Committee

Minutes of Meeting of January 9, 2020

(Present: Goebel, Fowler, Hogan, Healy, Schreiber, Smith, Welch, John Kent, Bo Howes, Mark Bowles and Brad Whitehurst (Baker Homes), David Anderson (New Hope Audubon), Jane Korest, Brendan Moore, Spencer Jennings, Lois Ballen, Alan Necheins, Kari Kuhn)

- (1) Moore said there was nothing new to report on trails maintenance.
- (2) The Committee heard a presentation by Mark Bowles and Brad Whitehurst on the site plan for 38 homes off Randolph Rd. adjoining Hollow Rock Environmental Park. Our comments, directed to Durham City Council, are <u>attached</u>.
- (3) Sandy Creek Park. Goebel said that the park swing, stolen last year, had been replaced. The sewer line to the bathrooms has not yet been repaired. Beaver levelers will be installed next week by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Work on the sidewalk to the expanded butterfly garden will start soon. Goebel said that several more beaver lodges had been built, including one in the main stem of the creek!
- (4) Healy said that county-wide Creek Week will be March 14-21. The Sierra Club will sponsor a cleanup at Sandy Creek Park at 9:30 am on March 21. Nikki Cagle of Duke is on sabbatical this year so we need to contact Ron Grunwald about doing something, perhaps with the help of graduate students.