

BURT TOWNSHIP
Trail Committee Meeting
April 24, 2017

The Burt Lake Trail Committee was called to order by Chair Gene Hodulik on April 24, 2017, at 7:05 pm at the Burt Township Hall, Cheboygan County, Michigan.

Attendance: Gene Hodulik, Margie Reh, Virginia Chenevere, Paul Janness
Also Attending: Dave Boyle and, Quinn Ridley from NDG, Leo Chenevere, Jon Jontz, Rick Johnson, Katie Parker, Donna McDougall, Recording Secretary/Clerk

Chair Hodulik led in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance

AGENDA:

MOTION: Moved by Chenevere, supported by Janness to add under New Business: Dave Boyle and David Quinn, NDG; Trail Design and Engineering milestones for Phase II

MOTION APPROVED

MINUTES – March 20, 2017

MOTION: Moved by Chenevere, supported by Reh to approve the minutes as presented.

MOTION APPROVED

OLD BUSINESS

MDOT/TAP Grant Status – Hodulik

MDOT email stated a conditional commitment will happen in April. Hodulik sent Amy Matisoff an email on April 18 for an update but has had no reply.

Trail Handbook - Hodulik

One thousand full color handbooks have been printed at a cost of \$650, with an additional \$200 labor cost for additional editing, scheduling, and delivery of the Handbooks by Christine Webster. Hodulik brought some for members and guests..

Fund Raising for Match - Hodulik

Current match needed is \$50,000 for Phase II, but up to \$75,000 will most likely be required for expenses not covered by the Grants. There may be additional expenses to widen Mullet-Burt Road with 5 foot paved shoulders, scheduled this summer.

The committee will ask John Roberts to design a direct mail letter to send out for matching funds donations. Chenevere and Reh will work on a Go Fund Me page on Facebook. Committee members will meet with organizations that donated to Phase I to explain Phase II and ask for a financial donation. Fundraising will begin when the TAP grant has been awarded.

New Business

Dave Boyle and Quinn Ridley– NDG

The Township Board approved contracting with NDG for engineering design and bid process for construction for Phase II.

Dave Boyle presented a timeline for the project planning guide. They will begin surveying when the contract with the DNR Trust Fund is signed for reimbursement. They will schedule a meeting with Kari Slavik, U of M Bio Station prior to the survey, to determine the trail route.

The committee discussed where to best cross from the west side of W. Burt Lake Road to the east side of the road should occur before reaching Riggsville Road..

DTE Natural Gas Line

DTE hasn't decided the route for the gas line on the east side. It will not be along the trail.

Trail Maintenance - Rick Johnson

The maintenance committee has been working hard cleaning up the trail and regrading where needed. Johnson would like vests for workers so they will be more visible as maintenance volunteers.

Public Comments – none

Change of meeting date:

Next meeting - Tuesday, May 30, 2017 at 7:00 pm

Adjourned at 8:16 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Donna McDougall, Recording Secretary/Clerk