

BURT TOWNSHIP
Trail Meeting
January 22, 2018

Burt Township Trail Committee meeting was called to order on January 22, 2018, at 7:00 pm by Chair Eugene Hodulik at the Burt Township Hall, Cheboygan Michigan.

Attendance: Gene Hodulik, Paul Janness, Dennis Dombroski

Also Attending: Hank Jallos

Chair Hodulik led in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Note: As there was not a quorum of members, the minutes of December 4, 2017 were reviewed but not approved.

Old Business

Trail Survey

Dave Boyle, Brent Shank, Landon Johnson, Katie Parker and Hodulik met and discussed the trail route. They discussed the gorge, in particular. The original design included a wood bridge overhanging the gorge as view vantage point. Brent Shank from the Road Commission suggested leaving off the bridge as it would be very expensive and would require a lot of future maintenance. He said the Road Commission would take out a pole that would be in the way so the trail would not have to go around it. A small overlook could then be designed for esthetics. The plan was approved by Mr. Johnson and Brent Shank. Shank said the bids will go out in April or May.

U of M Easement

U of M Real Estate Division has had the survey since before Christmas but has not signed off on the easement yet. This is the only thing needed for the DNR Trust Fund and MDOT/TAP.

Five year Recreation Plan

The Recreation Plan was approved by the Burt Township Board at a special meeting on January 18, 2018.

Trail Maintenance

Gary Street presented a 3 year plan for paving hills that keep washing out. The Board approved the first phase of the plan for work to be completed with the 2018-2019 budget.

Grants

Hodulik will contact Ann Baughman this week to write the DALMAC grant application.

New Business

DNR Grant Workshop

The DNR is having a workshop on January 25th in St. Ignace. Dave Boyle is going. Janness said he will also attend.

Regional Coverage Strategy

Margie Reh delivered handouts to NEMCOG. Parker went to the Cheboygan Regional Trails meeting. Jeff Winegard from Top of Michigan Trails Council has offered to attend a trail committee meeting and a board meeting to discuss financing.

Phase III and IV- 2020

Phase III will go from Riggsville Rd. south to E. Burt Lake Road to Birchwood Rd. as an off-road trail. Phase IV will be E. Burt Lake Rd. south to Mullett-Burt Rd. It will be completed when the Road Commission paves E. Burt Lake Rd. An MDOT/TAP fund grant is needed for the additional 2' shoulders.

Phase V has been completed – Mullett-Burt Rd.

Topinabee Mail Route

This will be a multijurisdictional effort between Burt and Mullett Townships. Funding will be needed for the additional 2' shoulders. Hodulik will contact Brent Shank to get an estimate for this section of the trail

Finances

As of December 31, 2017:

TOMTC: \$40,898.86

Citizens National Bank: \$32,372.52

Total: \$73,271.38

Four outstanding bills from NDG. (still awaiting documentation)
NDG is now OHM of Livonia, Michigan.

Next Trail meeting is February 25, 2018

Adjourned at 8:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna McDougall, Recording Secretary/Clerk