

Burt Township
Trail Committee Meeting
June 25, 20118

The Burt Lake Trail Committee meeting was called to order by Chair Gene Hodulik on June 25, 2018 at 7 pm at the Burt Township Hall, Cheboygan, Michigan

Attendance: Gene Hodulik, Paul Janness, Jim Valrance, Mac Richardson, Dennis Dombroski, Margie Reh all member of the trail committee and Jenny Chenevere, deputy Clerk

Also attending: Leo Chenevere, Tom Stephanic, Gary Street

May Minutes: Motion moved by Paul Janness and supported by Margie Reh to approve the May 21,2018 minutes as presented.

Agenda: OLD BUSINESS

TRAIL PHASE I. Brutus Road hill and Jontz hill paved by Spierling contractors end of May. Also spread additional crushed limestone in low areas. Weed killer sprayed on trail by Evergreen of Petoskey. Budgeted and paid from Township Parks and Rec Budget line item.

TRAIL PHASE II. Archeological Study completed May 30, sent to state Historical Society for approval, and to U of M Real Estate. One cache pit found several meters east of West Burt Lake Road trail route and will be fenced during construction.

U of M Easement still not received, but conversation with Karie Slavik provided hope that we will have it in a couple of weeks. Much discussion on this topic as U of M has had the easement , survey, and survey description for six months and it is the critical path document to enable MDOT to go out for bids. The window for construction this year is growing to a close.

DALMAC Grant awarded for \$10,000 May 31 in Lansing, Gene Hodulik presented the trail and future plans as part of receiving the award. A special thank you to Ann Baughmann for helping Gene with the grant application.

DNR Trust Fund visit by Lindsay Ross, our coordinator in Lansing, met with Hodulik May 24 at Hoppies to review our trail plans and to drive the route to get a better understanding of the trail.

PHASE III and IV Grants: DNR Trust Fund Grant was submitted March 31 and the MDOT/TAP grant was submitted May 31. Now we wait for them to ask questions to clarify our proposals.

NEW BUSINESS

Trail maintenance subject update by Gary Street. The crew has been blowing the paved parts, brushing the trail, dragging the trail, adding some crushed limestone, winter snowplowing trucks throw gravel onto the trail which creates problems with bicycle tires slipping/sliding. Dennis Dombroski suggested maybe a snow fence would help, which Gary agreed to try on a section. Street recommended not to make any more split trails, just pave the trail all the way to the road. Still a problem with contractors parking on the trail instead of in driveways of their customers.

U of M easement: Street said he would be happy to get involved with the possible solution to get the U of M easement signed. Mac Richardson said we need to go hirer in U of M by asking for some help with a person with influence with U of M. He said he might have someone in mind that he has known for several years. Jim Conboy of TOMTC has also been contacted and volunteered to help us. Conclusion is to ask for a meeting with the Real Estate Division folks in Ann Arbor or at the Biological Station.

Indian River Summerfest Kayak and Bike Biathlon, July 22, will donate part of their proceeds to our Trail, which they have done for several years. Jess Miller and Margie Reh created this event. A special thank you for your many donations in the past.

PEOPLE FOR BIKES GRANT PROGRAM: Margie Reh has completed the first phase to apply for a grant from this group. We will be notified by August 31 if we are still being considered.

FINANCIAL STATUS.

Check 101 NWDG \$2,948.58, paid 4-3-18 invoice #2082

Check 102 OHM (bought NWDG), \$2,397.00 paid 4-3-18, invoice 191864

Agreed to move \$10,000 from TOMTC account to the Citizens Bank account to pay invoices

Burt Township Accumulating Trail Maintenance Fund is \$63,250.39

Public Comment: None

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Moved by Pual Janness, supported by Mac Richardson

FUTURE MEETINGS: July 23, August 27, Sept 24, Oct 22, Dec 3 all at 7 pm

Submitted, Gene Hodulik, Trail Chairman

