

**BURT LAKE TRAIL COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
October 24, 2016**

The Burt Lake Trail Committee was called to order by Co-Chairs Art Pillen and Gene Hodulik on October 24, 2016, at 7:00 pm at the Burt Township Hall, Cheboygan County, Michigan.

ATTENDING: Gene Hodulik, Art Pillen, Virginia Chenevere, Mac Richardson, Paul Janness
ABSENT – Kim Kihnke, Steve Vorenkamp, Dick Roberts, Dennis Dombroski, Margie Reh
ALSO ATTENDING: Katie Parker, Gordon Aittama, Tom Stephanic, Donna McDougall, Recording Secretary/Clerk

Co-Chair Hodulik led in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA: Hodulik

MOTION: Moved by Pillen, supported by Chenevere to approve the agenda as presented.

MOTION APPROVED

Minutes – September 26, 2016

MOTION: Moved by Pillen, supported by Richardson to approve the minutes with following correction: Change “Rap” to Tap”

MOTION APPROVED

Status of Grants

TAP Grant was submitted this summer. This is a Federal grant given out by the State 4 times a year. It is sponsored by the Cheboygan County Road Commission , manger Brent Shank. Joint meetings (MDOT/TAP, Brent Shank, Northwest Design, and Hodulik) finalized the trail implementation plan, which was put in writing to MDOT/TAP with all addition data required. Notification will most likely be January 2017, with a slim chance notified in December 2016

On October 3 the Trust Fund application was updated to get more points, (Inter-township Agreement/Burt/Munro, Munro TS maintenance letter, implementation plan, Sheriff Clairmont letter, U of M gorge as a unique destination, new trail handbook, U of M easement letter, NEMCOG Trail priority list (Burt Lake Trail is no. 1),Township Board Sept 1 minutes approving Trail Maintenance Fund, Disabilities Network letter). A revised implementation plan was also submitted. Several conference calls with Merri Carlock, Jon Mayes of the Trust Fund have occurred. A Trust Fund grant decision will be made in December 2016.

Several conversations with Alex Nikoloff (MDOT/TAP) have also occurred. Bottom line, there is a much better chance of approval by MDOT/TAP by shortening the distance and have a destination point such as the U of M biological station area, which was the destination point of phase I but never got that far. The original ending point of phase II, the intersection of Birchwood and East Burt Lake Road would not be considered a destination point by MDOT/TAP. The grant was changed to end near the intersection of Riggsville Road and E. Burt Lake Road, just a few hundred feet south on East Burt Lake Road.

E. Burt Lake Road

E Burt Lake Road is planned to be repaved in 2019/2020 timeframe, should the one mill county road millage be renewed. Also for this project, TAP Grant funds for reconstruction/paving with 6 ft shoulders on each side of the road for non-motorized use will be requested through the County Road Commission.

Mullett-Burt Road

Mullett-Burt Road from Topinabee Mail Route (old corner store) to the East Burt Lake Road intersection near Hoppies is scheduled to be repaved in 2017 with 5 ft shoulders, paid for by the 1 mill county tax now in force and using the Complete Streets implementation.

Trail Account

\$54,859 in trail accounts.

December 5 meeting is cancelled.

2017 Trail Meeting Dates:

All meetings are at 7:00 pm at the Burt Township hall.

January 23

February 27

March 27

April 24

May 22

June 26

July 24

August 28

September 25

October 23

December 4

Comments – none

Next meeting – January 23, 2017

MOTION: Moved by Pillen, supported by Hodulik to adjourn.

MOTION APPROVED

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Donna McDougall, Recording Secretary/Clerk

