

**PLEASE NOTE
THESE ARE THE UNAPPROVED**

**BURT LAKE TRAIL COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
September 26, 2016**

The Burt Lake Trail Committee was called to order by Co-Chairs Art Pillen and Gene Hodulik on September 26, 2016, at 7:05 pm at the Burt Township Hall, Cheboygan County, Michigan.

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

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

Co-Chair Hodulik introduced members of the Trail Committee.

AGENDA: Hodulik

MOTION: Moved by Pillen, supported by Hodulik to approve the agenda with addition of 2017 Trail Maintenance.

MOTION APPROVED

Minutes – August 22, 2016

MOTION: Moved by Pillen, supported by Hodulik, to approve the minutes of August 22, 2016 as presented.

APPROVED

OLD BUSINESS

None

Board Report - Hodulik

Trail Approvals at 9/1/2016 board meeting

- Approved – 1000 brochures not to exceed \$ 1500 – funds to be paid from trail donor fund
- 3 new members – Margie Reh, Dennis Dombroski, Dick Roberts
- 5 year commitment to maintenance fund account

Grant Status

Hodulik met via teleconference with NDG and MDOT/ TAP (Alex Nikoloff) grant funders. They discussed connectivity of the trail and Alex asked for more information be provided by NDG. They also want a letter from Brent Shank , Cheboygan County Road Commission Mgr/Eng. And sponsor of the MDOT/Rap Grant, regarding safety problems with using Riggsville Road, especially speed and volume of traffic, and the line of sight problem at the entrance of the Biological Station and the East Burt Lake Road intersection..

Brent Shank will also provide in writing confirming that Mullett- Burt Road will be paved in 2017, and the probable year that East Burt Lake Road from Birchwood to Hoppies will be paved with widened shoulders.

These letters will help to add more points to the grant requests.

Hodulik also discussed the point system used by grant funders and numerous documents that have been obtained to enhance our Trust Fund Grant which will be updated Oct 3.

The Power-point presentation, written summary and handbook brochure information are finished and can be used for donors or group presentations.

Hank Jallo asked about shoulders for Topinabee Mail Rte. Rd. Hodulik said none at this time; that will be decided after date for paving for E. Burt Lake Rd. has been given.

NEW BUSINESS

Gary Street is getting with maintenance volunteers group to anticipate what possible expenditures should be allocated for the 2017 budget, which will be given to the Township Board.

Public Comment

Dave Patterson asked about status of fundraising. Hodulik said no fundraising has been done yet other than putting together the presentation; they will wait until the grant is approved.

Patterson also asked if non Burt Township residents should be allowed to vote and stand as a quorum. Hodulik said the MTA attorney said it is fine to have non residents on the committee. This will be brought to Tim McArthur for his opinion.

Committee Comments – none

MOTION: Moved by Pillen, supported by Hodulik to adjourn

MOTION APPROVED

Adjourned at 7:53 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Donna McDougall, Recording Secretary/Clerk