

**Minutes of  
BURT LAKE TRAIL COMMITTEE  
March 26, 2012**

A meeting of the Burt Lake Trail Committee was held at the Burt Township Hall, 7029 Birchwood Road, Cheboygan, Michigan on March 26, 2012, at 7 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Steve Vorenkamp (Chair), Connie Vorenkamp, Ann Baughman, Virginia Chenevere, Mary Street, and Pattie Johnson.

Committee Members Absent: Jay Jontz, Kelley Jontz, Gary Street, Frank Kestler, Mac Richardson, John Roberts, Art Pillen, Bert Ebbers, and Kim Kihnke.

Also Attending: Harold Koviak, Dennis Dombroski and Joyce Hutto-Nolan (Recording Secretary).

**Motion**

Moved by Virginia Chenevere and seconded by Patti Johnson to accept the minutes of February 27, 2012, as written.

**Motion unanimously approved.**

**Burt Lake Trail Update**

Steve Vorenkamp reported that he, Connie Vorenkamp, Amanda Poynter, Larry Fox and Emily Myerson met on March 5, 2012, with Mike Roper, Cheboygan County Road Commissioner, to discuss the progress of the trail and some of the difficult areas for the placement of the trail due to water and ditches.

Jason Fate, Northwest Design Group, has an updated list of property owners who have signed easements and those who have not.

Steve Vorenkamp suggested that the bid letting date be moved to September 7, 2012, from December 7, 2012, because the MDOT fiscal year starts on October 1, 2012. This will help to secure the funds in the calendar year 2012.

Connie Vorenkamp received copies of the easement documents from Northwest Design Group (working for the Cheboygan Road Commission). The documents were sent to property owners who have been asked to give easements. The documents include a valuation statement, a temporary or permanent trail construction easement, and an easement donation form to sign and be notarized.

**Financial Report**

Mary Street reported for Gary Street that funds received as of March 26, 2012, total \$124,851.25.

**Donor Letters/ Service Club Meetings**

Connie Vorenkamp sent potential donor letters promoting health benefit awareness to medical professionals and physical therapist in the area.

Mary Street will give a presentation about the trail to the Kiwanis Club in Indian River in April. Connie asked each committee member to write a personal letter to ten or fifteen people to update them about the Burt Lake Trail, to thank them for their support, and to ask for their continuing support.

**Grant Applications Update**

Ann Baughman reported that Bikes Belong acknowledged receipt of her \$10,000 trail grant application. The DALMAC \$10,000 grant application was received and Ann has responded to questions asked about the trail. Ann is waiting for a response from the Petoskey-Harbor Springs Community Foundation about the \$5,000 grant application.

**Old Business**

No old business.

**New Business**

No new business.

**Public Comment**

No public comment.

Next meeting will be April 23, 2012, at 7 p.m.

**Motion**

Moved by Ann Baughman and seconded by Virginia Chenevere to adjourn.

**Motion unanimously approved.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Joyce Hutto-Nolan, Recording Secretary