BURT TOWNSHIP Trail Committee Minutes December 3, 2018

The Regular meeting of the Burt Township Trail Committee was called to order by Chair Gene Hodulik on December 3, 2018 at 7:00 pm at the Burt Township Hall, Cheboygan, Michigan.

Attendance: Gene Hodulik, Margie Reh, Paul Janness Also Attending: Gary Street, Tim MacArthur, Katie Parker, Sherii Geary, Donna McDougall, Recording Secretary/Clerk

Agenda: Hodulik Agenda approved with addition: Phase I Maintenance Update

Minutes – October 22, 2018 MOTION: Moved by Janness, supported by Reh to approve the Trail Committee minutes of October 22, 2018 as presented. MOTION APPROVED

OLD BUSINESS

Sign Installation – Reh

Margie Reh and her husband installed 48 signs along Brutus/W. Burt Lake Roads for Phase I of the trail. AdditIonal signs by Colonial Point with posts will be added on the lake side next spring. Hodulik thanked Margie for taking the lead on this project.

People for Bikes Grant – Reh

Reh reported that the Burt Lake Trail was selected to submit the complete application for the People for Bikes grant. 185 applications were submitted. We were among the next group of 39 selected, from which 8 were awarded a grant. We were not one of the 8. Our weak area of our grant request was the inability to measure two areas: the success to date of the project and the connectivity to other trail projects. The People for Bikes organization is based in Colorado.

MDOT Bid Letting Status – Hodulik

MDOT is asking for another document before the Phase II project will go out for bids. The Federal part of the grant requires U of M to provide documentation that they have either sold or given the easement to Burt Township. After this is settled, the bids can go out in January or February.

Trust Fund Grant– Hodulik

Phase II - Committee is waiting for an email confirming that the Trust Fund has everything they need for Phase II. No reimbursement will be made until construction begins in 2019.

Phases III and IV – A "conditional commitment" from MDOT/TAP (already submitted), is needed before the Trust Fund will approve the Trust Fund portion of our two grant requests. MDOT/TAP "conditional commitments" are issued four times per year. We are in a favorable position for this approval sometime during the first half of 2019. The Trust Fund Grant proposal will have to be resubmitted by March 31, 2019, for next December awarding as it is done only once per year.

NEW BUSINESS

Phase I Maintenance Update – Gary Street

Street reported that due to the weather, the fall clean up did not get finished. They continue to cut the fallen trees to keep them off the trail.

They have an estimate from Spierling for paving next spring - the cost has gone up from last year to \$21 sq/yd.

<u>Phase V - Mullett-Burt Rd</u> - Hodulik New sign posts need to be installed next summer - about 4-6 posts.

2019 Meeting Dates - All meetings begin at 7:00 pm

January 21, 2019 February 25, 2019 March 25, 2019 April 22, 2019 May 20, 2019 June 24, 2019 July 22, 2019 August 26, 2019 September 23, 2019 October 28, 2019 November 25, 2019 December 16, 2019

<u>Publicity</u> - Hodulik Hodulik discussed the need for publicizing the trail.

Financial Status Bank statement not yet available.

Public Comment - None

MOTION: Moved by Reh, supported by Janness to adjourn. **MOTION APPROVED** Adjourned at 8:22 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Donna McDougall, Recording Secretary/Clerk