

BURT TOWNSHIP
Trail Committee Meeting
May 30, 2017

The Burt Lake Trail Committee was called to order by Chair Gene Hodulik on May 30, 2017, at 7:00 pm at the Burt Township Hall, Cheboygan County, Michigan.

Attendance: Gene Hodulik, Margie Reh, Virginia Chenevere, Mac Richardson, Dennis Dombroski, Jim Valrance
Also Attending: Leo Chenevere, Katie Parker, Gary Street, Dave Patterson, Donna McDougall, Recording Secretary/Clerk

Chair Hodulik led in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance

AGENDA: Approved as presented

MINUTES – April 24, 2017

MOTION: Moved by Richardson, supported by Valrance to approve the minutes as presented.

MOTION APPROVED

Old Business

Grant Status

Conditional approval was granted from MDOT/TAP on May 12, 2017 in the amount of \$374,500 for Phase II to be constructed in 2018. The DNR Trust fund granted conditional approval on December 8, 2016 in the amount of \$295,000. Trail committee is still waiting for the Michigan legislature to release the funds, but may be able to get started as of June 1st before the money is released.

On May 8th Kari Slavik, Quinn Ridley, Dave Boyle and Hodulik staked out trail from the gorge to E. Burt Lake Rd., just south of Riggsville Rd. The next step is surveying but waiting to hear from the Trust Fund to start (costs against the trail).

Trail Maintenance – Gary Street

Street reported that it was a tough winter for the trail with lots of trees and limbs down and more volunteers are needed for maintaining the trail. Cleaning the hills that are paved has been a problem. Weeds were sprayed last Friday. Mike Sperling and his crew restored the trail where needed with crushed limestone.

Steve Vorenkamp is trying to get grant money to blacktop the trail.
\$34,437.14 in the capital maintenance fund.

Mullet Burt Road

Road Commission is paving shoulder at no additional cost to the trail or township. Paving will begin in June.

Implementation plan – trail matching funds

- Fundraising letters will be mailed to organizations and individuals.

- Presentations to organizations: Indian River Kiwanis; BLPA; TOMTC; Citizens Bank, Cottage associations; Straits Area Community Foundation; Petoskey Harbor Springs Community Foundation; Bike stores
- Brochures to TOMTC; Topinabee Library; Chambers of Commerce (check with Christine Webster to see if can make brochure into a mailing piece)
- Facebook Go-Fund-Me page
- Grants

Finances

NDG bill for \$,2,948.00 not arrived yet.

Next meeting: June 26, 2017 at 8:51 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna McDougall, Clerk/Recording Secretary