

Trail Development Committee Meeting  
Monday July 20, 2015

Meeting began at 7:05

Members Present: Lee Burnett, Dolly Hutchins, Don Roux, Hazen Carpenter, Thom Gagné, Rick Tockman, Dave Parent

1. Approval of minutes from the previous meeting: Motion by Hazen and seconded by Dollie to accept the minutes as presented.
  
2. Old Business:
  - a) Deering Limber Sign: Dollie reported that Deering Lumber has put up; stop signs at both side entrances. Hazen to continue to work on getting the signs that were discussed at the June meeting.
  - b) Trail Maintenance Reports:
    - Thom reported on the trail from HS Blvd., Y loop trail and MW along the Marginal Way to the Rail Trail
    - Dollie reported on the Rail Trail, MW North behind Village View and the Rail Trail from SSYAA to Pleasant St. and from Pleasant St. to the power lines past Deering Lumber
    - Al Pollard submitted a report on the MW South and Loop Trail prior to the meeting
    - Dave reported on the MW North from Haven Cove to Stanley Rd.
    - Lee reported on the MW North from the Rec. to the Leap

Lee asked that members send him the reports on the condition of the various trails to develop some estimates of volunteer hours need and possibly material estimates so we can begin to develop a budget.

- c) Springvale Farm Walk July 26: Lee stated that two items need to be done prior to Sunday. 1. Distribute flyers 2. Need two vans for transporting people between farms. Rick reported that McDougals will use a tractor with a trailer. Still need another vehicle. Lee will look into using the Y bus or a CAP vehicle. The group discussed the possibility of two loop trails with shuttles between them.
- d) National Guard Project: Lee handed out a fact sheet on costs. The cost was higher than expected. Motion by Dollie and seconded by Don to return the bollards that were purchased and use a gate that we

already own to control entrance to that trail. Motion was unanimously approved. We discussed erosion control and what to do. Dave made a motion that was seconded by Don to authorize up to \$1,000 to instal the gate and a water diversion at the top of the entrance. Hazen volunteered to oversee and hire a contractor to instal the gate and the water diversion. After further discussion it was decided that Lee will contact Matt Hill, the city engineer, and get his advice on what to do to control the erosion.

- e) Reallocation of Forestry Money: The group discussed the availability of the \$23K designated for the Pedestrian Bike Path Extension. There was also \$5K available because the Haven Cove cost took only \$5K of the allotted \$10K. There was some thought given to using that \$5K towards the Hanson Ridge apron for trail head parking. Since the gravel needed wasn't made available, Dayton had moved on. They may or may not be persuaded to return in the Fall. The committee decided not to reallocate funds at this time. After Calculating our expenses the committee has a \$34,500 balance in the Forestry account.

### 3. New Business:

- a) Sanford Trails Facebook Page: Ayn Hanselmann was invited to address the committee but was unable to attend.

4. Committee Reports: Maintenance - Rick reported that there are fewer people available to volunteer. He stated the the Sanford-Springvale Fish and Game Association is no longer involved in trail maintenance. Hazen reported that the Springvale Fish and Game group will do the East side of the MW North. It was noted that ReMax has committed to part of the West side of the MW North

### 5. Open Discussion:

- a) Don brought up the issue of the cut down post and railings at the Pleasant St. Park trail entrance of the rail trail. He stated has those lowered railings have been the cause of a couple of snowmobile accidents. The posts had been cut down to have lower railing so as to provide a better line of sight for vehicles turning onto Pleasant St. from Railroad Ave.

He also brought up the randomly placed concrete barriers at the SSYAA ball park parking area. He felt that they were a safety issue, especially

for snowmobilers and that it should be addressed. Lee will talk to Matt Hill and Marcel to see what can be done.

- b) Hazen reported that the manager at Lowe's has \$2,500 available for projects that their associates could be involved in. There was some discussion about approaching them for help on the new farm trail. It was decided that what we need would not work out.

6. Next Meeting: Monday August 17

7. Adjournment: Motion by Don and seconded by Dollie to adjourn.  
Unanimously approved

Meeting ended at 9:15

Respectfully submitted by Thom Gagné, Secretary