



## Village of Hewitt

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### Trails Committee Meeting Minutes – Apr 17, 2017

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The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM at the Hewitt Administrative Building, 11064 Main Street, Hewitt.

Present: Mike Draxler, Joe Bores, Ken Eilers, Jason Wagner, Becky Wagner, Pete Hulke, Jeff Binder, Jeff Heeg

Absent: Maureen Hulke, Kevin Nowack, Romelle Bymers

Guests: Gordy Burr

Minutes: A motion to approve minutes of the previous meeting was made by Pete and seconded by Jason. Motion carried.

Financial Report: The report from the Village Treasurer showed the Trails budget at \$4,006.61. It was noted that the Trails budget ended last fiscal year with a deficit and snowplowing expenses for the connector trail have been debited from the Trails budget. It is expected that the Town of Marshfield will contribute as in the past.

Public Input: None.

Old Business:

- Trail Map Signage: No updates at this time. Mike will follow up with Kevin. It was suggested to look at Hamus Park to see who manufactured that sign.
- Facebook Activities: No updates at this time
- Review of Snow Removal on Trails for 2016-2017 season: The process seemed to work well; keep the same for next year. It was suggested that we get a quote from Beaver Creek to do the Village trails in addition to the Connector Trail.
- Bridge Construction: Poles are placed near the site. Still too wet to get any equipment there. Mike will construct a gantry crane and get assistance from some 'retired individuals' to set the poles by hand in the next few weeks. We'll then schedule workdays as needed to put the deck on.
- Preservative for the Boardwalk: Mike has 5 gallons. Discussed having a 2-day window and setting up a work crew and timetable when weather permits. Overnight temperature and dry conditions are required.
- Trail Gates: No further work needs to be done on the gates. Lost some pins in the winter that need to be replaced. Discussed leaving the pins out during the snowplowing season or have a chain to hook the pin on. Mike will find some chain and Jeff B. will install. Jeff B. will make a list of what signs we have for on the gates and what we need. Jeff H. & Mike will look at what signs might be removed from the Connector Trail and repurposed.
- Single Track Trail Creation: This item will be moved to agenda listing for future discussion.

- Clinic Trail Shoulder Seeding: Not all spots will need black dirt. Mike and Jeff B. will do a walk around and flag areas that need attention. We'll then get a quote from Bob Boehning for the work.
- Fencing along Maple St Trail: Installation/construction can be done at any time. Jeff B. will gather a crew and start the project.
- General Maintenance: Need to do some brush trimming, boardwalk fixing after frost shifting – discussed having a workday on an upcoming Saturday in May. Mike will go down to the boardwalk to fix a few areas that need attention right now. Pete will continue to mow grass along the trail. Need to do raking of gravel. Mike will touch base with Dave Schoepke to see if he can continue to contribute to mowing. Discussed the need to put new recycled blacktop along some spots of the main trail? Jeff B. will talk to Doine. Discussed upgrade wet section of trail from new boardwalk to main intersection. When Doine puts Mike's retention pond in there may be extra clay. Thought to put any extra clay at the end of where the new boardwalk section is back north to the trail.

New Business:

Communication from Town Board or Village Board: Jeff Heeg is a new member of the Trails committee. No other communication from Town Board or Village Board at this time.

Discussion on whether we should combine the Parks and Trails Committees into one: Thoughts from the members? Reservation – is there a lot to have on one chairman? Need to task out certain items to share the work. Discussed keeping separate budgets and combining the agendas together. Mike & Gordy will take it back to the Village Board for further consideration.

Grant ideas from the committee: Discussed blacktopping section between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> street. Maureen sent more information that Mike will review. Procurement of Draxler Park? Metal bench installation on connector trail?

Goals for the year: Nothing further discussed.

**Information for the good of the group:**

Matt Strupp did winter grooming. He will also move a picnic table to the Ten Acres and do mowing there. We should send thank you notes from the committee to individuals who contribute to thank them for their efforts.

**Items for future agendas:**

- Parks & Trails Brochure Updates – 2017
- Single track trail creation
- Park Benches

**Next Meeting:** May 22, 2017 at 6:30PM

**Meeting Adjourned:** 7:34PM

**Submitted by:** Mike Draxler, Trails Committee Chairperson