Present: Committee members – Heimann, Wolfe, Wiegel and Ludlum of Lafayette County, Blumer, and Roth, from Green County. Ross from Iowa County and Fiduccia from Green County had excused absences.

Mr. Heimann asked if the meeting was properly posted. Tom Jean verified the meeting was posted at the Green, Lafayette and Iowa County Courthouses, Darlington Municipal Building, the Lafayette County Highway Dept. and on the website. Mr. Heimann declared this to be a properly posted legal meeting with enough members present to constitute a quorum.

A motion by Wolfe and second by Roth to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

A motion by Ludlum and second by Blumer to approve the March 23, 2017 minutes. Motion carried.

Discussion and update on the status of the DNR grant funding for the projects along the Cheese Country Trail.

Tom has submitted all of the documentation for the old ATV grant # 1842 which the DNR had no record of any work invoices being turned in for. He has not heard back from the DNR yet and is waiting to get the approval to begin using the new bridge rehabilitation money ($42,000). In March, Tom received the final payments from the DNR for the 2015-2016 ATV and UTV maintenance grants. The check was for $23,000 – split into $19,800 for grant ATV 3287 and $3,200 for grant UTV 16024. Tom has also submitted applications for the ATV, UTV and Snowmobile grants for 2017-2018 season.

Discussion and update on general maintenance/signage or encroachment issues along the Cheese Country Trail.

a. Tom had met with Kevin Bahr regarding fencing along the trail from Brunton Lane to CTH O. Kevin would like some help in getting the fence replaced along that stretch. Following some discussion, it was mentioned that stretch of trail is under the jurisdiction of the DNR and that they are responsible for working with the landowners regarding fencing issues. Tom will contact Dana White-Quam, who is the property manager for the DNR and let her get in touch with Kevin Bahr.

b. The encroachment issue regarding Ted Landon property and the driveway that he installed to the trail was discussed. It was decided to let it go and see if it becomes an issue and deal with it at the time.

Trail Update – Local ATV & Snowmobile Clubs

Lee reported that ATV/UTV’s are using the trail this Spring and that he needs to do some grading soon. There are a lot of signs that needs to be replaced and he hopes that the clubs will be able to replace them soon. Paul reported that he would like to have the County use their brush head on the excavator to do some tree trimming and would like to use their excess snowmobile funds for this purpose. He will get together with the County soon to get this done.

Public comment: None
Fencing Request. None.

Status of Funds: Tom presented the current Status of funds. A motion was made by Wiegel to approve and seconded by Wolfe, and the motion carried.

Vouchers: Invoices presented for payment were from: Blackhawk Riders for grooming - $630.00, Blackhawk Riders for trail maintenance - $727.00, Voegeli Landscaping for trail maintenance - $945.00, Voegeli Landscaping for grading ($536.50) and for fines ($2,850.42), and Voegeli Landscaping for trail maintenance - $2,018.92. Total vouchers were for $7,707.84. A motion was made by Ludlum and seconded by Wolfe to approve and the motion carried.

Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday May 25, 2017 at 7:00 PM. at the Green County Court House in Monroe.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Ludlum and seconded by Wiegel to adjourn at 7:45 PM. Motion carried

Submitted 5/25/17 TRJ