

TRI-COUNTY TRAIL COMMISSION

Thursday July 25, 2013

7:00 PM

Iowa County - Mineral Point City Hall – Mineral Point WI

Present: Committee - Supervisors Heimann, Wolfe, and Wiegel of Lafayette County were present. Guth and Koopmans of Green County and Lindholm of Iowa County were present. Pat Shea of Lafayette County was absent and John Bartels was present to fill in for him. Williams of Green County was also absent.

Guests Present: Members of local ATV and snowmobile clubs.

The Tri-County Trail Commission meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Chairman, Gerald Heimann

Mr. Heimann asked if the meeting was properly posted. Deb Krahenbuhl verified the meeting was posted at the Green, Lafayette and Iowa County Courthouses, Darlington Municipal Building, Memorial Hospital of Lafayette County and Lafayette County website. Mr. Heimann declared a legal meeting of the Tri-County Trail Commission.

Mr. Guth made a motion to approve the agenda as posted, seconded by Mr. Koopmans, and the motion carried.

The minutes of the June meeting were presented. Mr. Wolfe made a motion to accept the minutes with no additions or corrections. Mr. Koopmans seconded the motion, and by voice vote all approved and the motion carried.

Discussion, update and possible action from the report given in regards to the impact study of the Cheese Country Trail: Mr. Wolfe has contacted Dave Marcouiller of UW Publishing regarding booklets and costs to obtain more. It would be nice to be able to get some for the PRTC for them to review at their next meeting. The question came up regarding whether these booklets were copyrighted and whether we could legally copy them ourselves. Mr. Wolfe will look into this.

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

Lee McCarville reported that the trail between Calamine and Mineral Point, which was closed for 3 ½ weeks, has now been reopened. He has roughed in the repairs adequate enough to allow for ATV travel again. Lee met with the FEMA representative who told him that because of the nature of the recreational trail, FEMA required their own physical inspection of the damage in order to justify payment. It is anticipated that we could receive up to \$24,000 from FEMA for the flood damage to the trail on the Iowa County portion. The DNR, on the other hand, is satisfied with picture documentation and invoices to approve any disaster repair work. Game Warden, Nick Webster was present and said that there is a possibility that the DNR may have some money available to help with repair and that if approved it would be on an 80-20% cost sharing basis and that the Tri County Trail Commission match (20%) could not come from the maintenance money. Mr. Guth pointed out that there is \$63,000 in emergency funds that could be used for this purpose.

Public comment:

Tom Jean reported that the bike trail that is being designed between Platteville and Belmont is most likely to have an area of shared use from Spring Street in the Village of Belmont to the Hwy. 151 underpass. While the funding for the Bike trail traditionally won't allow for this shared use, the consultant feels that there is enough

merit to ask for an exception and that with speed limit restrictions on ATV's and snowmobiles that this could be allowed.

Don Noble showed the commission the signs he had made up to remind riders that they were required to purchase a trail sticker for any unregistered vehicles. The cost was \$6.00 each and everyone thought they would serve the purpose well.

Fencing Request. None

Status of Funds. Deb presented the financial report and reviewed it with the committee. Following some discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Guth and seconded by Mr. Wiegel to approve. On voice vote, motion carried.

Approval of Vouchers: Voucher # 5078 and voucher 5079 payments include;

Bard Materials	\$4,540.48	Maintenance fund (2012-2013)
WisNet.com	\$75.00	Web site maintenance
Ivey Construction	\$4743.08	Flood damage gravel
TriCounty ATV (Lee)	2,536.38	Flood damage repairs
Green County ATV club	\$142.00	signage (2013-2014)
Green County ATV club	\$1,768.96	mowing, grading, and weed control (2013-2014)
Ivey Construction	\$650.00	6.5 yards concrete (2013-2014)
Bard Materials	\$341.35	1 ½" road stone (2013-2014)
Nodolf Lumber	\$177.50	Maintenance fund (2013-2014)

TOTAL PAID VOUCHER 5078 & 5079 \$14,974.75

Following some discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Wiegel and seconded by Mr. Koopmans to approve. On voice vote, motion carried.

Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 22, 2013 at 7:00 PM in Monroe at the Green County Court House.

Motion, by Mr. Guth second, by Mr. Wiegel to adjourn. Voice vote, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.