

TRI-COUNTY TRAIL COMMISSION

Thursday November 21, 2013

7:00 PM

Green County at the Green County Court House

Present: Committee members - Heimann, Shea ,Wiegel and Wolfe of Lafayette County, Guth and Williams of Green County. Lindholm of Iowa County and Koopmans of Green County were 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, the Lafayette County Highway Dept. and the Lafayette County website. Mr. Heimann declared a legal meeting of the Tri-County Trail Commission.

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

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

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

Lee has completed the repair work needed on the Iowa County portion of the trail that has been approved for FEMA funds. Tom and Lee met with FEMA representatives, Bob Katen and Brian Donnelly on Nov. 20th and showed them the work that was completed. Tom is gathering the invoices and will meet with Bob Katen on Monday, Nov. 25th to submit all of the costs. FEMA will pay for 75% and the State of WI Div. of Emergency Management will pay an additional 12.5%. The total of the repairs are about \$63,000 and we should be reimbursed about \$55,000.

Discussion and possible action on general maintenance/signage and encroachment issues along the Cheese Country Trail.

Some minor tree trimming has been accomplished along the trail, especially between Browntown and South Wayne, by the local snowmobile clubs. This will help when groomers are on the trail.

Larry Kranig, from Monroe, asked Tom about the possibility of tracked UTV's using the trail once it is snow covered. The board was firm on its decision to not allow this.

The Patterson Road bridge replacement project was discussed. Tom informed the board that a public informational meeting will be held on Monday Dec. 9, 2013 at 6:00 PM at the Justice Center. It will be a chance for the Engineers to explain the project, including how the ATV traffic will be detoured during construction.

Public comment:

Leon Wolfe said that he had heard that there was a Legislative effort underway to raise more money for maintenance of the trail systems in the State.

Trail Update – Local ATV & Snowmobile Clubs

Jeff Voegli reported that all of the grading and mowing have been complete on the Green County portion for this fall. Lee McCarville reported that he added several loads of fines to the washed out areas of the trail just North of Darlington, near McKillip's cabins, and that the snowmobile clubs have requested some additional grading done prior to it being cover with snow.

The Snowmobile mileage assignments are the same as last year with the: Monroe Stateline Trailblazers maintaining 10 miles, the Mineral Point T-Riders maintaining 25 miles, the Fayette SnoGoers maintaining 17 miles, and the Blackhawk Riders maintaining 12 miles. Deb reported that there was \$1,400 left in the snowmobile account from last year.

Fencing Request. None

Status of Funds. Deb presented the status of funds showing the balances as of Oct. 31, 2013 and following some discussion, a motion to approve was made by Wiegel and seconded by Wolfe and by voice vote the motion passed.

Approval of Vouchers: Voucher payments include;

Tri County ATV Club	\$ 4,074.22	Flood Damage repair work
Ivey Cosntruction	\$ 21,573.30	Flood Damage material
Tri County ATV Club	\$ 681.12	maintenance

Following some discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Guth and seconded by Mr. Wolfe to approve the vouchers. On voice vote, motion carried.

Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday Dec. 19, 2013 at 7:00 PM in Darlington, at the Lafayette County Courthouse.

Motion, by Mr. Guth, and second by Mr. Wolfe to adjourn. Voice vote, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 P.M.