

Dickinson County Trail Board Meeting

10-13-17

Board Present: Harrington, Maas, Martin (phone), Morrow, Richter, Rierson, Sackett, Steffes, Taylor (phone) ED Reed

Board Absent: Huseman

1. Quorum determined to be present.
2. Adoption of Agenda, Minutes, Approval, Bills/Claims Approval: Motion by Maas and 2nd by Steffes to approve the consent agenda with the addition to approve DCTB's membership with Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation at a level of \$150. Carried.
3. Introduction of visitors: B. Beck, P. Jordan BOS, B. Cuperus DCCB, E. Hoiem
4. Bills & Claims 10-13-17: US Bank-Trails credit card \$20 (Constant contact 10/6/17): Alliant Energy \$112.67 (Tunnel lights 9/5/17-10/3/17): M. Carlson \$45 (Secretarial): Dickinson County New \$131.23 (July, August, September meeting minutes): Beck Engineering \$13,328.75 (Engineering-PLAC connector trail (reimbursed by OF Project Fund): M & K Bridge Construction \$4,695 (PLAC Trail bridge replacement): Iowa Civil Contracting, Inc. \$109,831.35 (Railroad-Payment Application No. 3): Snyder & Associates \$15,594.85 (Railroad-preliminary & construction engineering): Historic Arnolds Park \$800 (Down payment for Pavilion rental-2018 fundraiser): Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation \$150 (membership renewal): US Bank-Trails Credit card \$42.84 (report covers for grants and monitor stand): US Bank-Trails credit card \$13.60 (USPS-Ship Tatonka Ska grant to DOT).

NEW BUSINESS:

- a) Cross-country skiing update – E. Hoiem gave the board an update on cross-country ski trails and requested assistance with trail grooming.
- b) Okoboji Foundation Nonprofit summit – Reed reported on summit topics including board basics, grant application tips and emerging leaders.
- c) IGL Regional Conversation – Reed shared information regarding possible beautification opportunities.
- d) U of O Oktoberfest Ride – Turnout out was good with over 500 registered. Thanks to the IGL Chamber for hosting the event and DCCB for trail sweeping.
- e) 2018 Planning – discussed structure for 2018 planning: development, maintenance and budget.
- f) November meeting will be as scheduled, November 10, 2017.
- g) INHF Membership – Board approved membership donation of \$150 with the Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation re: consent agenda.
- h) B. Beck addressed the board regarding long term visioning and focus. Also updated board on the PLAC Trail and Gordon Drive.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Ongoing Projects
 - i. Rail Trail – update on infrastructure project. REAP Grant did not receive funding; Federal Recreational Trails grant was submitted on September 29.
 - ii. Jones Pasture – reviewed grant scoring; discussed how to proceed.
 - iii. East lake – Beck Excavating was awarded 190th St. project (DCTB's share is \$46,382) with a completion date of December 1, 2017.
 - iv. Okoboji RV Campground – approval was granted for an RV campground across from Elinor Bedell State Park. Developer expressed interest in getting trails around East Lake and is willing to assist in fundraising.
 - v. East Loch Estates – development did not get approval from the Board of Adjustment.
 - vi. PLAC Connector Trail & Bridge – bridge was completed 9-29-17. Preliminary plans for trail have been sent for DOT review and permit.
- b. Maintenance Update
 - i. Nature Trails – ED Reed provided board with update.
 - ii. City of Okoboji, Gordon Dr. Project – Motion by Sackett and 2nd by Richter to approve Rens Concrete bid of \$7,226.75 for south approach reconstruction of trestle bridge. Carried.

- c. Signing - Maas and Reed have a good start on the inventory project.
 - d. Trail Counters – August and September trail counts.
 - e. Electric bikes & Scooters – policy discussion.
 - f. 2017 Fall Friends mailing & 2018 Fundraiser – update.
- Motion by Sackett and 2nd by Steffes to adjourn. Carried.
Next Trail Board meeting Nov. 10, 2017