

Dec. 9, 2022

Board Present: Harrington, Kass, Maas, Muetting, Mugge, Niemeier, Rierson, Taylor, ED Reed.

Board Absent: Johnson, Norby

1. Meeting called to order by Vice President Harrington. Quorum determined to be present.
2. Time for the 7:00am Public Hearing - 2023 DCTB 202nd St. Trailhead Improvement Project – Harrington closed the public hearing at 7:07am. Motion by Taylor and 2nd by Kass to approve awarding the 2023 DCTB 202nd Street Trailhead Improvements Project to Beck Excavation. Carried.
3. Adoption of Agenda, Minutes Approval, Bills/Claims Approval: Motion by Rierson and 2nd by Maas to approve the consent agenda. Carried.

Bills & Claims 12-9-22: Alliant Energy \$120.02, Amy’s Sign Design \$102.00, Beck Engineering \$30,915.00, Blacktop Service Co. \$14,861.83, Business Today \$206.00, Certified Testing Services \$2,496.00, City of Spirit Lake \$62.43, DeRuyter Cleaning \$300.00, Dickinson County \$629.28, Dickinson County News \$169.02, Marco \$248.66, Marsha Carlson \$45.00, Snyder & Associates \$7,396.00, US Bank-Trails Credit Card \$20.00

4. Visitors: B. Groen, B. Sackett, J. Moberly, T. Kourousis

5. Board of Supervisors Liaison: T. Fairchild

6. Development

- a. Tatanka Ska Phase III(c) – Project is substantially complete.
- b. Tatanka Ska Phase IV(a) – Final audit continues.
- c. Tatanka Ska Phase IV(b) – We have NEPA clearance and check plans have been resubmitted.
- d. Tatanka Ska Phase IV(c) – Most of the paving is complete; work is on hold for the season.
- e. Hwy.71 to 34th St. – Wicks will move forward with soil conditioning and seeding. The seeding will be under a 1-year warranty.
- f. Edgewood Drive Trail – Reseeded areas will be monitored in the spring.
- g. Clay County Connection Phase 1 – Motion by Taylor and 2nd by Maas to continue with original plan to place the trail down the east side of Hwy. 71 to the Dickinson-Clay County boarder. Roll call vote. Voting aye: Taylor, Maas, Harrington, Mugge, Niemeier. Nay: Kass. Carried.
- h. East Lake Narrows Bridge – Snyder has the wetlands delineated and endangered species considerations appear to be manageable. Archaeological report has just been received; we will move forward with potential trail route for review.
- i. Superior Trail – Project tabled for additional considerations.

7. Maintenance

- a. 2020 Spine Trail Overlay – Motion by Taylor and 2nd by Mugge to approve Blacktop Service Company’s final pay application #6 in the amount of \$14,861.83 and change order #2 resulting in a contract cost decrease of \$34,669.60. Carried.
- b. 2023 Annual Trail Maintenance – Motion by Kass and 2nd by Niemeier to approve awarding the 2023 Annual Trail Surface Maintenance project to Blacktop Services Company. Carried.
- c. 202nd St. Trailhead – Motion by Rierson and 2nd by Maas to approve Certified Testing Services proposal for materials testing on the 2023 DCTB 202nd St. Trailhead Improvements Project. Carried.
- d. Spine Trail Tree Removal – Motion by Kass and 2nd by Mugge to approve Triple S Tree Service quote for removal of a dead tree on the Spine Trail. Carried.
- e. Tatanka Ska Trailhead – The trailhead has been closed for the winter.
- f. Maintenance Budget – Review of FY 2023-2024 Maintenance Plan.

8. 2023-2024 Development Plan – Review/discuss 2023-2024 Development Plan

Submitted Grant Applications

Okoboji Foundation – Tatanka Ska Trace IV(b) – Awarded \$50,000

Region 3 TAP Grant Tatanka Ska Trace V to Superior – Awarded \$272,000 (FY 2026)

REAP Grant – Tatanka Ska Trace IV(b) – Awarded \$75,000

Destination Iowa Grant – Application submitted for Tatanka Ska Trace to Lake Park and Clay Co. Connection; request for \$2,912,000 with total project cost of \$7,280,000.

Federal Rec Trails Grant – Clay Co. Connection Phase II; submitted for \$340,000, award recommendations will be announced December 13.

Upcoming Grants

Wellmark Foundation – February 2023 – Submit for Tatanka Ska Trace Phase IV(b).

Okoboji Foundation – March 1, 2023 – Submit for Clay County Connection Phase I.

Region 3 TAP Grant – March, 2023

State Rec Trails Grant – July 1, 2023

9. Board & Executive Director Items

a. Fall Friends Campaign – Update on fall campaign.

b. IBC & INHF Memberships – We will continue with memberships as we have previously.

c. Cross Country Skiing Equipment – Discussed possible equipment replacement. Reed will review with grooming volunteers.

d. Executive Committee Meeting – TBD.

10. Adjourn – Motion by Harrington and 2nd by Maas to adjourn. Carried.

Next meeting – January 6, 2022