

TRI-COUNTY TRAIL COMMISSION

August 30, 2012

7:00PM

Green County – Green County Courthouse – Monroe, WI

Present: Committee Supervisors Heimann, Shea, Wiegel, and Wolfe of Lafayette County, Guth, Koopmans and Williams of Green County. Absent, Lindholm of Iowa County

Guests Present: Members of local ATV and snowmobile clubs.

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

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

Motion, by Mr. Guth second, by Mr. Shea to approve the agenda. Voice vote, motion carried.

Motion, by Mr. Koopmans second, by Mr. Wolfe to approve the minutes as written of the July 26, 2012 meeting. Mr. Koopmans noted that his name was misspelled in one instance. Deb will correct before sending onto the county clerk. Voice vote, motion carried.

Discussion, update, possible action from the report given in regards to the impact study of the Cheese Country Trail: Mr. Wolfe reported that the final three fact sheets are completed and ready for use. Darlington Chamber and City Council would like a presentation. Leon will be scheduling this with the city and he will be the presenter. Mr. Guth reported that he will be doing some presentations in Green County in early September.

Discussion, update, possible action on the status of the DNR grant funding for the projects along the Cheese Country Trail: Deb reported that the rip-rap project did have two bidders for the project. The wetland scrape was awarded to Casey Crist of Darlington and the rip-rap projects were awarded to Kojak (Marc Busch) of Darlington. There was some discussion about the survey that the group had agreed to do at the July meeting. After doing some research Mr. Shea made the decision to go ahead with the wetland scrape without the survey. It was discovered by Mr. Shea that there is no legal description of the area that the pond is to be placed. The pond should be completed by the September meeting.

Deb also reported that she had received the final payment on the 2011/2012 snowmobile maintenance grant. The 2011/2012 ATV maintenance grant request for final payment has been mailed and payment should be received soon. She also reported that she has

received the advance payment for the 2012/2013 snowmobile and ATV maintenance grants.

Discussion and possible action on general maintenance/signage and encroachment issues along the Cheese Country Trail: The trail is in good shape. No other discussion.

Discussion and possible action on defining the responsibilities of the coordinator position and recruitment of a new coordinator: Mr. Wolfe reported that he had talked to the current zoning administrator of Lafayette County about the coordinator position, he is currently not interested in taking on new responsibilities with his current position. Mr. Guth and the Green County members discussed the possibility of reorganizing the committee. Mr. Guth will ask Mike Doyle of Green County if he is interested in taking back some of the duties that are currently being done by Deb. The Lafayette County members discussed the possibility of splitting the duties up between two or three people. The members will continue to inquire among employees about any interest there might be to take over the position. There was no action taken. Deb will continue to fill the role until someone/s can be found to take over.

Public comment: Rob McConnell reported that the WATVA fall conference will be September 14, 2012 in Tigerton, WI. Anyone who is interested is welcome to attend.

Trail Update: Lee McCarville of the Tri-County ATV Club reported that the CCT trail is open and is in good shape. Due to the lack of rain we have had a few complaints about the dust. There are alternate road routes to avoid the dust for those users who choose to use them.

Green County ATV Club reported that the road/street routes thru the city of Monroe seem to be working out well. Those routes should become permanent in the Spring of 2013.

Fencing Requests: There are no fencing requests to report.

Status of Funds: Deb passed out the financial report for July. There were no questions or discussion. Motion, by Mr. Guth second, by Mr. Wiegel to accept the status of funds as reported. Voice vote, motion carried.

Approval of Vouchers: Bills presented tonight include Bard Materials \$1362.71, Green County ATV Club \$2339.02 and Republican Journal \$70.20. Total of voucher 5067 is \$3771.93. Motion, by Mr. Wolfe, second, by Mr. Koopmans to accept the bills as presented. Voice vote, motion carried.

Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 27, 2012 at 7PM in Lafayette County.

Motion, by Mr. Guth second, by Mr. Shea to adjourn. Voice vote, motion carried.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.