

TRI-COUNTY TRAIL COMMISSION

Thursday, Sept. 17, 2015 @ 7:00 PM

Iowa County – Mineral Point City Hall, Mineral Pt. WI

Present: Committee members – Heimann, Wolfe, Wiegel and Ludlum of Lafayette County, Blumer and Kubly from Green County and DeLain from Iowa County Absent; Wiegel and Fiduccia . Also present was Lee McCarville.

Mr. Heimann asked if the meeting was properly posted. Tom Jean verified the meeting was posted at the Green, Lafayette and Iowa County Courthouses, Darlington Municipal Building, the Lafayette County Highway Dept. and on the website. Mr. Heimann declared this to be a properly posted legal meeting with enough members present to constitute a quorum.

A motion by Wolfe and second by Ludlum to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

A motion by DeLain and second by Blumer to approve the July 23, 2015 minutes. Motion carried.

**Discussion and update on the status of the DNR grant funding for the projects along the Cheese Country Trail.**

Tom has received confirmation that the bridge rehabilitation grant that we applied for has been awarded to us and that the agreements have not been sent to us yet. The grant is for the rehabilitation of 4 different bridges near Gratiot. The total grant amount is \$42,600 and the money will not be available next Spring.

Lee McCarville presented some information regarding the road routes and how he felt the County could save some signage money if all roads in the County were opened to ATV/UTV travel. Lee had presented this same idea to the Lafayette County Highway Safety Committee earlier in the day, and the DNR Warden that was present informed us that the laws haven't been changed yet to account for opening all roads to routes and therefore the signage requirement would still be the same as always. This was for information only and does not pertain to the TCTC.

**Discussion and update on general maintenance/signage or encroachment issues along the Cheese Country Trail.**

Lee reported that he would be doing at least one more grading and mowing before freeze up. Jeff Voegeli was not present for an update on the east end of the trail.

**Trail Update – Local ATV & Snowmobile Clubs**

Tom reported that he had been asked by Adam Douglas for permission to cut firewood along the trail. The committee said that in the past only Club members have been allowed to do so and they must sign a waiver of liability.

**Public comment:** None

**Fencing Request.** None.

**Status of Funds and approval of vouchers.** Vouchers were presented for approval including gravel from Bard Materials - \$462.72, Concrete from Ivey Construction - \$670.50, fines from Voegeli Landscaping - \$1,695.00 and trail maintenance from Jeff Voegeli - \$2,113.00. A motion by DeLain to approve the vouchers for payment was seconded by Ludlum. Motion carried.

Tom presented an updated version of the Status of funds and a motion was made by Wolfe and seconded by Ludlum to approve. Motion carried.

Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday Oct. 22 at 7:00 PM. at the Green County Courthouse in Monroe.

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**Adjournment:** A motion was made by Blumer and seconded by Kubly to adjourn at 7:45 PM. Motion carried

Submitted 10/20/2015 TRJ