RECREATIONAL TRAILS COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

October 28th, 2015

Hearing Room 3, Town Hall, Marshfield

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Mike Bilas

IN ATTENDANCE: Michael Bilas, Linda Cincotti, Greg Guimond, Vicki McPherson, Steve Robbins, Tom Whelan

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: The minutes of the September 30th meeting were unanimously approved.

REPORT BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Mike Bilas opened the meeting with an update of the Comprehensive Trails Plan project. Now that the firm has been chosen to implement this project, the next step would be forming the "working group" that would work in conjunction with the folks from BL Companies (BLC). Mike stated that the ideal situation would be to involve as many RTC members, town departments and groups as possible. The process as to how to recruit members from these departments and groups is still in the planning stage. Tom Whalen raised the issue of how to determine which Marshfield trail maps would be best to use for this project. Greg Guimond suggested using the assessor's maps. Tom also raised the question of how the current miles of recreational would be managed. Mike Bilas stated that BLC has been given the RTC's mission statement and goals and would be using these as guidelines in their planning and addressing issues such as trail maintenance. The committee then discussed how the RTC could insure that this "working group" would set the appropriate direction for this project. In answer to this inquiry, Mike Bilas stressed that RTC members needed to be part of this "working group", to guide and insure that this plan would address the RTC goals and concerns. Steve Robbins inquired as to when this "working group "would be meeting. Mike said that the date had not been scheduled yet but would let the RTC know as soon as it was decided.

Mike reminded everyone about the upcoming DCR Southeastern Regional Trails Conference on November 18th. Both Vicki McPherson and Linda Cincotti attended this conference last year and reported that it was very informative. Lastly, Mike Bilas would like the RTC members to think about rotating the various RTC member assignments for this upcoming year.

The next monthly meeting for this Committee is to be determined.

ADJOURNMENT: Mike Bilas moved to adjourn at 7:40pm. It was seconded and was unanimously voted to adjourn.

HANDOUTS: Minutes of September 30th, Agenda for present meeting

Respectfully Submitted: Linda Cincotti, Clerk