

Bike Path (Shabbona Pathway) Ad Hoc Committee Minutes

4//11/15 Meeting

Regular meeting of the Bike Path (Shabbona Pathway) Ad Hoc committee was called to order on Saturday April 11, 2015 at 9 AM at the Resource Bank in Shabbona, IL. The following committee members were there:

Dan Nolan, Frank Ottengheime, Al, Aspengren, Jim Johnson, Marc Cinammon, Nancy Pardridge, Linda Novotny, Jerry Foster, Curt Herrmann.

Additions to the Agenda: None

Citizen's Addressing the Board: None

Minutes from March 14, 2015 were approved.

Review and Adoption of Bylaws and Mission Statement:

The Bylaws to create the Shabbona Pathway Committee were handed out for review. These will aid in creating the Committee as a 501-c3 organization. It was approved that the board members would be elected for 3- year staggered terms.

The 5 Directors of the committee to represent governmental agencies will be

- 1) Village of Shabbona – Dan Nolan
- 2) Dekalb County Forest Preserve – Terry Hannan
- 3) Indian Creek School District – Vaughn Boehne
- 4) Shabbona Township – Jim Johnson
- 5) Shabbona Fire Protection District – Frank Ottengheime

It was discussed whether it would be a violation of the 4 Village board members to be on the pathway committee and whether they would constitute a quorum, and pose a violation of Robert's Rules of Order or a conflict of interest. Frank may nominate another member of the Fire District to be on the Pathway committee.

Nomination and election of officers: Jim nominated Dan Nolan as Director and Frank Ottengheime seconded. Frank made a motion to approve the following selection of officers and Linda seconded. Unanimous selection as follows:

Dan Nolan as President

Jerry Foster as Vice President

Allison Probst as Secretary (not a voting member)

Jim Johnson as Treasurer

Jim made a motion to create and fill the 4 At-large positions. This was seconded by Jerry Foster. All unanimous were voted on and approved:

Marketing/Social Media: Jerry Foster as Chair with supporting committee members Suzann Alde, Curt Herrmann, Wendy Schnorr

Planning/Maintenance: Curt Herrmann as Chair with supporting members Kurt Foster, Marc Cinammon

User/Residents: Linda Novotny as Chair with supporting members Marc Cinnamon, Jerry Foster, Wendy Schnorr

Finance/Grants: Wendy as Chair with supporting members Jim Johnson, and Charlie Foster

Jim will adjust the bylaw language in section 5.1, 5.2 and 5.5 to include that the secretary does not have to be a member of board.

501-c3 Application: Dan Nolan and Nancy Partridge will take the lead on continuing the 501-c3 application process. Process is underway which allows that donations be tax deductible.

Miscellaneous: Marc will look into conservation grants that may be applicable to the project.

There was discussion of the extension of Indian Road after the current barricade at the end of the asphalted section. It is a Township road. Best interest of St. Park and Fire District to have this maintained for emergency access to the lake for water needs and unspecified emergencies. Golf course is up for sale. Discussion on how this might affect this road. The east side of Lake is being discussed for a campground addition.

Jerry has written letter to Pottawatomie Nation asking for funds up to 48 K for overall pathway needs. Not specific as to which cause they would be applied toward. Eluded to possible naming rights.

Landowner Agreement update:

Jerry will continue talking with Lovering and Kause owners for access.

Mike Schrader does not agree to offer his land for access project. He cites privacy issues. Karen Knappmeyer is in favor of giving property rights for the project as the proposed path would enter through their yard onto East Cherokee St. Document however is not yet signed.

Marketing:

Discussed possibility of t-shirts to school age children to drum-up support. Was tabled in order to have path route secured with approval from landowners. Difficult to sell idea without land secured.

Focus groups would be an advantage at any time to understand oppositions' views. Groups would also provide an opportunity to tell true facts.

Adjournment:

The next meeting will be Saturday, May 9th at 9 AM at the Resource Bank, Shabbona location. The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 with Linda making motion and Jerry Foster seconding.

Meeting Minutes of the Shabbona Pathway committee submitted by Linda Novotny

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