

# **Bike Path Ad Hoc Committee Minutes**

## **7/27/13 Meeting**

The Regular Meeting of the Bike Path Ad Hoc Committee was called to order on Saturday, July 27, 2013 at 9:00 A.M. at the United Church of Christ in Shabbona IL. The following committee members/ advisors were present:

Dan Nolan  
Jerry Foster  
Marc Cinnamon  
Wendy Schnorr  
Brian Dallas  
Al Aspengren  
Allison Kidd Probst

**Additions to the Agenda:** None

**Citizen's Addressing the Board:** None

**Approval of Minutes from April 20, 2013 Meeting:** Al Aspengren motioned to approve the minutes. Jerry Foster seconded. All in favor Aye. Motion carried.

**Report From Village Board Meeting:** There is nothing new to report from the village board.

**Mr. Brian Dallas From NIU Discussing ADA Questions:** Works at NIU in the rehab counseling department. He is focusing on improving wheelchair accessibility at Somonauk Point within Shabbona Lake State Park. He is waiting for community feedback. Dan Nolan also spoke with Jill Schmitt and she recommended contacting RAMP for more assistance and information. Brian Dallas also said he would be willing to help with handicap access needs and funding options. Jerry Foster also mentioned this could be a great asset to the nursing home and assisted living facility if this was handicap accessible. There are numerous grants that may be available to assist with the costs.

**Report From Village Board Meeting:** Dan Nolan said there was nothing new to report from the board. He did make a new contact with Steve Butchel. He would like to come to the next meeting. He recommended looking for grants from the DNR. Funding may be available in early January. Mr. Butchel recommended a looped trail instead of a one way meeting. He also recommended bidding the plan as asphalt if that is what is wanted. Dan Nolan also wanted to ask George Bellovics to come to another meeting.

**Report From Property Owners:** Jerry Foster was able to get a verbal commitment from the Kaus family to be able to draw a line on the map. He will have written approval by next week.

**Discussion of Bike Path:** The committee discussed and looked at the map again to place the tentative route on the map. Dan Nolan thought before the next meeting to have a few areas as review areas. One would be in front of the high school and another in front of the sewer plant. Frank Ottengheime asked about running the bike path along the south side through the trees in the park. It may eliminate some of the issues with the ditch and going around the sewer plant. There was discussion of having to cross the road again may be an issue.

Wendy Schnorr let the committee know there will be a conference starting on Oct. 27, 2013 from Rails to Trails in Matteson. Wendy said she may be able to go.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:58 a.m.

The next meeting will be on August 24, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. at United Church of Christ.

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Meeting Minutes of the Ad Hoc Committee submitted by Allison Kidd Probst.

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_ July 28, 2013