

**LARA Board Meeting, November 14, 2018 @ 6:00 pm
Lowell City Hall**

Attendance-Rich Conrad, Perry Beachum, Betsy Davidson, Gary Goff, Greg Canfield, Heather Hoffman **Guests:** Mark Fritsma

Minutes-October minutes supported by Canfield, 2nd by Davidson

Treasurer's Report-Payments to Gary Goff for \$148.94 for brush hog rental and Mutt Mitts, Hooper Printing for \$96.15 for LARA brochures, Betsy Davidson for \$204.00 for Constant Contact and \$24.68 for Domain. Davidson reported that Lowell Township, Vergennes Township, and the City of Lowell are each contributing \$5,000 annually for trail maintenance. The Lowell Community Fund has awarded LARA \$100,000 each year for the years of 2018, 2019, and 2020. LARA must reapply for these funds in 2019 and 2020. Treasurer's Report supported by Canfield, 2nd by Hoffman

Public Comments: Lowell Little League officials will attend the December meeting to discuss future plans for their property and trails near the Cooper Woodland. Cooper Woodland has been used by bow hunters, possibly conflicting with trail users. Cooper Woodland belongs to the Lowell Education Foundation. Goff will contact Stephanie Peel from the Lowell Ed. Foundation to make her aware of this.

Snowplowing: Quotes were received from Scholten for \$375 seasonally to plow only in front of Metric Manufacturing, and Zach's Clean Cut for \$150 per plowing on Foreman, Gee Drive, and Alden Nash when there is 4 inches or more of snow. A motion was made to approve Zach's Clean Cut to plow at 4 inch or more snowfalls, but adjust snowfall amount to 2 inches if necessary. Motion supported by Canfield, 2nd by Hoffman was passed.

Phase 1A-Gee Drive to M-21: LARA still owes some final money to Ryan Excavating for Phase 1-A. LARA is waiting for some final commitments from Ryan Excavating.

Phase 2-Rail Trail Connection: No new information.

Adjourn: 7:05 p.m.

Gary Goff, LARA Secretary