



**Board Meeting, October 10, 2007 @ 5:00 pm  
Lowell Township Hall**

**Present:**

LARA Board Members, Mari Stone, Dan Edwards, Al Halbeisen, Linda Regan, Perry Beachum, and Betsy Davidson.

Guests; Jim Hall, Mark Fritsma, Dave Austin and Ryan Kilpatrick (Williams & Works)

**Meeting Minutes**

No September Meeting.

**LARA Treasurers Report**

Checking balance \$6,954.40. \$12,630.00 in Money Market Account.

**Old Business**

**TREAD Fund Development Committee** (Dan, Mari, Jodie and Betsy) – Developed Case Support Document and Identifying fund raising campaign leaders.

**New Business**

Dave Austrin and Ryan of Williams & Works discussed the study of Wege property. Project will update Recreation Plans for Townships and City and study options for potential use of Wege property. Study will include community input meetings, October 25<sup>th</sup> At Lowell Twp. Hall and Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> at WWC. Discussed LARA concerns (confirm community desire for trails) and goals (update Master Plan).

Safe Route to Schools – Lowell chair (Lynn Gregg) attending conference in November. Needs update of 1<sup>st</sup> phase map and total cost by end of October. Al will contact LAP for updates.

Easements

**Foreman Road**

Update of trail cost to include comparison of trail cost in ROW versus cost in easement.

**Lowell Schools**

**Alden Nash West**

**Wege property**

Include connection to sanitary sewer easement.

## **Other**

Jim Hall questioned definition of “Non-Motorized” for trail use. Future RV Park would like to have access to trail available to electric scooters, wheelchairs and golf carts.

Meeting ended after 6:30 p.m.

The foregoing constitutes my understanding of matters discussed and conclusions reached. Please review and share your additions or corrections at our next board meeting on **Wednesday November 14, 2007 at 6 pm, Lowell City Hall.**

Respectfully submitted,  
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### **Commonly used acronyms;**

Landscape Architects & Planners (LAP)  
Lowell Area Recreation Authority (LARA)  
Lowell Area Schools (LAS)  
Lowell Community Fund (LCF)  
Lowell Education Foundation (LEF)  
Lowell Institute for Volunteer Excellence (LIVE 5)  
Lowell Light & Power (LLP)  
Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ)  
Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR)  
Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT)  
Michigan Trails & Greenways Alliance (MTGA)  
North Country Trail Association (NCTA)  
Trail Resources Enrichment and Development (TREAD)  
West Michigan Trails & Greenways Coalition (WMTGC)  
Wittenbach – Wege Center (WWC)  
Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)