



Board Meeting, February 13, 2013 @ 6:00 pm
Lowell City Hall

Attendance - LARA Board Members; Al Halbeisen, Andrew Schrauben, Mari Stone, Gary Goff, Perry Beachum, Betsy Davidson, Mark Anderson. Guests; Dave Austin, Mark Howe, Mark Fritsma

Minutes – December and January minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report – Davidson requested that she be taken off the checking account as a signatory. That leaves Secretary Stone and President Halbeisen – two signatures are needed on checks. Stone motioned to remove Davidson as signatory on the checking account, and add Beachum to the list. Anderson seconded, and the motion carried.

Public Comment – Austin noted that he had walked the previous Sunday and the area in front of Metric Manufacturing had not been plowed. Davidson will contact Scholten Landscaping to find out why. Schrauben expressed concern about icing on the boardwalks.

Discussion/Agenda Items:

Discussed donor bricks and plaques for the pavilion/pocket park. Anderson distributed schematics showing examples. Discussion will continue in March.

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm. A workshop session was then held with Austin leading the discussion regarding possible connection routes through Lowell for the FMRVRT. The foregoing constitutes my understanding of matters discussed and conclusions reached. Please review and share your additions or corrections at the next Board Meeting.

Mari Stone

Respectfully submitted,
Mari Stone
LARA Secretary

Commonly used acronyms;

Fred Meijer River Valley Rail Trails – (FMRVRT)
Kent County Road Commission (KCRC)
Lowell Area Schools (LAS)
Lowell Education Foundation (LEF)
Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ)
Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT)
North Country Trail Association (NCTA)
Trail Resources Enrichment and Development (TREAD)
West Michigan Trails & Greenways Coalition (WMTGC)
Wittenbach – Wege Center (WWC)

For more information refer to the website www.lowellareatrailway.org

Greenville to Owosso – (GO)
Lowell Area Recreation Authority (LARA)
Lowell Area Community Fund (LACF)
Lowell Light & Power (LLP)
Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR)
Michigan Trails & Greenways Alliance (MTGA)
Safe Routes to School (SR2S)