



**Board Meeting, June 13, 2012 @ 6:00 pm**  
**Lowell City Hall**

Attendance - LARA Board Members; Al Halbeisen, Andrew Schrauben, Mari Stone, Gary Goff, Betsy Davidson. Guests; Dave Austin

**Minutes** of the May meeting were approved.

**Treasurer's Report** – Approved payment of Williams & Works invoices in amounts of \$1272.60 and \$498.75, and Pinnacle Insurance in amount of \$1052.00 with a motion by Schrauben, seconded by Stone.

**Friends Volunteer Group** – Davidson and Stone reported on plans for June 26<sup>th</sup> survey/promotional event on the trail at Creekside Park. Will host people interested in the Friends Group at an upcoming monthly Board meeting.

**Amenities Package** – Austin gave a summary. Beachum will organize assemble of benches volunteers and supplier when they are delivered.

Austin showed brick/pavilion mockup – location has moved to the west of the Cherry Creek parking lot. The proposed size is 20x20, covered. To date there are 14 small bricks, 12 Medium, and 5 large. Working with Belden Brick.

**Phase II, Connections to Ionia-Greenville Rail Trails** – Austin discussed the different perspectives of 4 types of users – Thru trail, Round Trip, Destination (or Home Base), Local. He is developing a matrix that puts the users and partners needs on paper so we can see priorities for routes. Will hold a public meeting in late fall/winter.

**Other Business:**

Davidson will be moving the brick display from 5/3 bank – needs suggested locations.

The meeting adjourned at 7 pm.

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

For more information refer to the website

**Commonly used acronyms;**

Kent County Road Commission (KCRC)  
Landscape Architects & Planners (LAP)  
Lowell Area Recreation Authority (LARA)  
Lowell Area Schools (LAS)  
Lowell Community Fund (LCF)  
Lowell Education Foundation (LEF)  
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)  
Safe Routes to School (SR2S)  
Flat River/Grand River Valley Trails – (FRVT/GRVT)  
Fred Meijer River Valley Trails – (FMRVT)  
Greenville to Owosso – (GO)