

Lowell Area Recreation Authority Meeting Minutes

(LARA)

Date: December 14, 2016, 6 pm
Location: City Hall

Board Members;

Alan Halbeisen (Chair), at large rep (Lowell Township) Perry Beachum (Vice Chair) City of Lowell resident
Mark Anderson, Lowell Township Trustee Gary Goff, Lowell Township resident

Absent - Mari Stone (Secretary), Vergennes Twp Clerk Betsy Davidson (Treasurer), Vergennes Twp resident
Mike DeVore, City of Lowell Council Member

Guests; Joe Fulsher, Vergennes Twp resident

Approval of Meeting Agenda

1. **Meeting Minutes** – November minutes, no comments/no motion to approve

2. **Treasurers Report**

Motion passed to pay invoice of about \$200 for Zach's mowing/plowing

3. **Public Comments**

Joe, new to Lowell, came to meeting to learn about the trails

4. **Phase 1 - Cherry Creek to Wege-Wittenbach Center**

Discussed snow plowing. Need to discuss with new DPW director about what was plowed in past by City, Lowell Area Schools and LARA.

5. **Phase 1A - Gee Drive to M-21**

City to consider change in ordinance to define maintenance of “trails” versus “sidewalks”. Mark talked to Greg Canfield about getting on City agenda in January.

Mark will discuss easement with Dean Lonnick

6. **Phase 2 – Connection to Flat River Valley Trail (FRVT) and Grand River Valley Trail (GRVT)**

Meijer Funding for connection of Rail Trail. Al will discuss with Jerry Hale, Lowell Township.

Scheduled events:

- ▼ Next LARA meeting January 11, 2017. Need to discuss new officers (Chair) and new City reps. Al's last year on LARA and would like new chair to take over. Mike Devore unable to attend meetings. Need City rep that can make meetings and interested in the trails.

Adjourn at 7:40