

Lowell Area Recreation Authority Meeting Minutes

(LARA)

Date: May 11, 2016, 6 pm
Location: Lowell City Hall

Board Members;

Alan Halbeisen (Chair), at large rep (Lowell Township) Perry Beachum (Vice Chair) City of Lowell resident
Mari Stone (Secretary), Vergennes Twp Clerk (excused) Betsy Davidson (Treasurer), Vergennes Twp resident
Mark Anderson, Lowell Township Trustee Gary Goff, Lowell Township resident (excused)
Alan Teelander for Mike DeVore, City of Lowell Council Member **Guests; Dave Austin, Williams & Works**

1. Meeting Minutes

No meeting minutes for April

2. Treasurers Report

Motion by Perry, 2nd by Mark, passed – approve payment of invoices to United Sign (\$100 for trail advertisement), Chamber (\$125 for Riverwalk Duck Race), and Williams & Works (\$1238.89 for materials for boardwalk repair).

3. Public Comments - None

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

Reviewed proposals for seal coating form Hardings, Stormzand and Flat River Asphalt.
Motion by Mark, 2nd by Perry to select Hardings, for the 1 coat option with crack repairs at price of \$8395.
Perry to contact Steve Turnbull at LAS about coating for portions of trail between High School upper parking and football parking lot (Section not included in proposal).

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

Design status – Survey done and working on alignment and profile of trail. Will review alternatives for drainage and trail location at Michigan Wire and start meetings with property owners.

DDA meeting – Mark will attend 5/12, but will wait to ask for grant dollars until after WW can meet with Michigan Wire to discuss options. South portion of trail at Michigan Wire is located within DDA limits.

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

Requested proposal from WW for funding applications. Proposal will be send via email and discussed at June meeting. (note location below) Need to start soon to be in position for MDOT (quarterly) and MDNR (April) grant applications. Recreation plan updates and public meetings are needed prior to submitting MDNR application.

Gary cleared trail at Cherry Creek. Zack Beachum will clear around pavilion and place mulch for \$250.

Cooper Woodland access has been mowed. NCTA will map loop trail in Woodland. Group from Impact Church planning to clean up trail.

Scheduled events:

- ▼ **Presentation to Community Fund Meeting, May 19 at 8:30**
- ▼ **Next LARA meeting, June 8 at Boardwalk** north of Foreman (parking lot on Foreman east of Alden Nash)
- ▼ July 13 North Grand River Lowell Township Park, Bowes Road behind Walgreens