



## Meeting Minutes – May 11, 2021 – Zoom Meeting

**Attendees:** Lindsey Weaver, Chuck Carlson, Bryan Pike, Erik Roberts, Steve Fisher, Randy Harrison, Josh Pennington, Jenny Smith, Wade Miller, Holly Larson, Todd Holman, Matt Steele.

Submitted by: Bryan Pike

1. **Call to order:** Lindsey called the meeting to order at 5:04 pm.
2. **Approval of Agenda and Minutes from last meeting:** The agenda and last month's minutes were approved.
3. **Treasurer's Report:** Looking for a new Treasurer with accounting experience. \$3,194.64 in checking account.
4. **Reports/Discussion**

**Community Communications Committee:** Randy H. reported on the draft web-site he developed from past and current information gathered. A lot of good info was put forth into the Draft site. Additional work and clarifying some items are necessary before the site will be available for public viewing.

**Maintenance** of the existing and future trail sections was discussed. No organized maintenance crew is necessary since the state of MN Trails and Waterways employees currently provide this using staff.

**Funding Committee:** Josh P. reported on the contact he had with the non-profit **MN Parks and Trails Council**. An application was sent to the Council for possible funding to acquire two properties where landowners have identified a willingness to sell portions of their property. The Council made this an active project which means a very good chance of success on acquisition of the parcels when the time comes to purchase them.

**Landowners survey:** Bryan P. received two estimates of survey for key pieces of property in the Riverton area. Survey and new parcel descriptions will be necessary depending on how the landowners wish to proceed concerning their property. Is a land purchase or trail easement the best option? Time and further discussions with the landowners will answer that question. It was suggested to hold off on survey until later.

**Riverton City Council Meeting:** June 9<sup>th</sup> is the next City Council meeting for Riverton. It was discussed to possibly get on the council agenda to get official support of the trail concept. Landowners wanted City Council support before making additional progress on parcel acquisition.

**Western Alignment:** Todd H. will share with local officials the idea of bringing a section of the CLST from south Brainerd and towards the highway 371 bridge at the Mississippi River. Bryan will take the adopted resolution developed and approved at the April meeting and give to Todd once dates and signatures are affixed. Todd will use the resolution document to promote the idea on this potential new trail segment or alignment.

**Other Reports:** Is a CLST address necessary and needed at this time? Steve F. will check into a PO Box at the post office. **MN Secretary of State** filing has been dropped. Bryan P. will check into renewing the non-profit status for the association. Annual renewal is necessary.

**Bike Rides** were discussed. A CLSTA community bike ride was done in the past around 2010-13. This may be something to consider. Obtaining sponsorships from businesses may be a way to generate funds.

Meeting adjourned at 6:33 pm.

5. Next Meeting Date (2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month): 5-6 pm, Tues, June 8, 2021.