

## Meeting Minutes - July 13, 2021 - Zoom Meeting

Attendees: Lindsey Weaver, Bryan Pike, Steve Fisher, Wade Miller, Holly Larson, Joe Hernandez, Matte 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. Bryan contacted CLA in Baxter but have not heard back from them. Bryan offered to hold the Treasurer position temporarily.
- 4. Reports/Discussion

Planning and Design: Matte Steele discussed the planning for the CLST in conjunction with the planned reconstruction of County Road 31 and MN Hwy 371 east of Crosby where the new grocery store is being built. A gap of the trail currently exists on each side of County Rd. 31. The Association has not been involved with this planning effort to date, but Matte S. has been meeting with the county project engineer to discuss obstacles and attempts to work through them were discussed. Anderson Brother's Property east of Brainerd has been for sale for a few years and Bryan offered to draft a letter to company owners identifying the associations need to locate a route within or near the property using the highway right-of-way. Bryan will have the draft letter on Basecamp for folks to review and offer feedback. DNR's Review of trail concept was part of Wade M. discussions. No funding has been established to pursue any significant trail concept review at this time or in the near future. The DNR does have the preliminary shapefile of the route from west side of the Sagamore unit through the airport property. DNR engineers are busy with other projects and free, unfunded time for them is difficult to obtain. \$500,000 or more is likely needed for the DNR's thorough review. Their review would develop detailed construction plans, acquisitions and overall cost estimates for trail development. Riverton City Council meeting was June 9th and Chuck C., Jenny S. and Bryan P. attended to obtain council support of the trail concept and location across the City controlled property. Two or more council members are concerned the trail will greatly impact the future expansion needs of the City's sewer treatment drain field. Chuck offered to have the association contact the private engineering firm of SEH in Brainerd to discuss with Dave Peterson, Mayor of Riverton, the perceived obstacles the council is having. Bryan contacted and sent the planned trail route maps to the engineer from SEH who has worked with the city on their sewer system design. The engineer will use the trail route maps in conjunction with future planning maps for the city system and will communicate his thoughts to the Mayor of Riverton to be shared with the Riverton City council. Riverton City Council members are in a holding pattern until we likely approach them again to address their concerns. Schrupp Excavating could be contacted concerning the trail and Riverton's drain field concerns. The Association members decided to hold off on having an outside contractor discuss the issue with the Council.

**Community Communication Committee:** Holly L. discussed opportunities for the committee concerning pamphlet development. Holly planned to send Lindsey info related to projects she worked on with other groups.

Meeting adjourned at 6:33 pm.

5. Next Meeting Date (2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month): 5-6:20 pm, Tues, August 10, 2021.