



Meeting Minutes – September 8, 2020 – Zoom Meeting

Attendees: Lindsey Weaver, Bryan Pike, Chuck Carlson, Jenny Smith, Eric Roberts, Wade Miller, Kent Skaar-DNR Acquisition/Development Section Leader

Submitted by: Bryan Pike

1. **Call to order:** Lindsey called the meeting to order at 5:03 pm.
2. **Approval of Agenda and Minutes from last meeting:** Both the agenda and July minutes were approved.
3. **Secretary Report:** No report other than minutes being approved.
4. **Treasurer's Report:** No report due to absence of treasurer.
5. **Reports/Discussion: *Planning and Design***— The **NPS Application** for assistance in community outreach and engagement was submitted in late August. Application will be reviewed in September and notification of acceptance by late September. **Kent Skaar**, a DNR Acquisition and Development Section Leader, was invited to discuss development plans for the trail. Kent is supportive of our efforts for the potential use of Joshua Rebennack in providing a conceptual trail layout and preliminary design plan. Joshua's work can provide detail of need versus projected need. Corridor concepts for both motorized and non-motorized trails are important to consider and conceptualize. Questions that can be answered with a conceptual plan include: How does this fit into the landscape? How does it reduce resource impacts? Does it demonstrate a corridor that can work? A conceptual plan is the basis for preparing a construction document once funding is identified. DNR staff needs to be involved or advised concerning the work of the conceptual plan so areas of challenge can be reviewed and determine if the conceptual plan will work. Final design, engineering and construction can be proposed in 2022 bonding. **ATV Club:** It is important to meet with ATV club representatives on any potential ATV trail displacement that may be identified in preliminary concept plans. Getting the club's input and ideas are necessary going forward. **Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council** will need to be approached once a concept plan is developed. Maps, letters of support and any potential ATV trail displacement should be part of the information packet to be presented to the Council. **Crow Wing County Trail Application** may need to be considered soon after a concept plan is developed. The county's 5-step application timeline is 5-9 months.

Other Items—Chuck and Lindsey will work on the "story-line" for future needs. Kent identified the Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources (LCCMR) to fund resurfacing part of the original CLST built in 2005.

Board Members—the need is great to obtain additional board members with the loss of Zac S. and other former board members. Steve Fisher and Randy Harrison are individuals that may have promise to assist in our efforts.

Meeting adjourned at 6:06 pm.

6. Next Meeting Date (2nd Tuesday of each month): 5-6 pm, Tues, October 13, 2020