

# Minutes

## Trail Coalition Hwy 64 Corridor Committee

### December 5, 2016

Susan Heuser called meeting to order at 6:34 pm.

#### Statement of Public Notice

Agenda was posted at the Somerset Town Hall and on the Trail Coalition's web page.

#### Roll Call

Members Present: Susan Heuser, Kyle Lindstrom, Jim Remington, Tim Witzmann, Andre Johnson

Members Absent: Jim Pierson, Bob Campbell

Others Present: Ben Heuser, Lee Pederson, Mark Vanasse, Mitch Lewis

#### Adoption of Agenda

Motion by Andre, seconded by Tim. Motion approved.

#### Public Comments

None.

#### Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

November 7, 2016 Minutes: Motion to approve by Kyle; seconded by Jim. Motion approved.

September 26, 2016 Minutes: Motion by Andre to approve with correction of typos; seconded by Jim. Motion approved.

#### Reports

No reports

#### Items For Discussion/Action

1. Susan reviewed the purpose of the Trail Coalition Highway 64 Corridor Committee.
2. Updates:
  - Town of Somerset – Tim discussed the 5 priorities that have been identified in the St. Croix County Bike/Pedestrian Plan. St. Croix County Planning Dept. provided us with the proposed alignment from the Loop Trail to Somerset. The difference between a full build trail and minor enhancements. The biggest challenge on this section is Landing Hill and comparing the costs for building a trail on the east or west side of Hwy 64. The Town of Somerset has set a Planning/Park Meeting for December 21 to review the Landing Hill route and Town of Somerset preferences. Next WISDOT TAP Grant application is Fall 2017.
  - Town of St. Joseph – Kyle brought up recent meeting with St. Joseph Township and WISDOT on State Road being turned back to township ownership. This will be negotiated over the next few months with construction starting spring 2018. St. Joseph Township is willing to invest in a trail along the Hwy 64 Corridor. Cost estimates for bike lanes on each side of the highway can be double the cost of an off road trail on some of our town roads.

- Village of Somerset – not represented
- Town of Star Prairie – Andre thinks that the Somerset to New Richmond Trail will be on the Richmond Township side. Planning to do trail east of Village of Somerset to New Richmond. A privately owned bridge and former state highway can be used for trail connection. A wildlife area at 95<sup>th</sup> Street is potential attraction on Somerset to New Richmond Trail.
- Town of Richmond – not present
- City of New Richmond – Pathways - Jim brought up importance of collaboration between groups. Example is Paper Jack Trail involving City of Richmond, New Richmond Foundation, Richmond Township, Pathways, DNR, etc. Trail planning to connect County Roads A and K on Somerset Road into New Richmond.
- Highway 64 Upgrade - No update.

### 3. Issues and Actions

- Toole Design Priority Corridor Descriptions – Waiting for route descriptions from St. Croix County. 45 day public review when St. Croix County Bike/Pedestrian Plan is finished.
  - Trails & Connections Between Municipalities – No update.
  - Town of St. Joseph Road Turnover Details – should have plans in near future.
  - Trail Map, Highway 64 Corridor – The groups priority is on the Loop Trail to east side of Landing Hill.
  - Others - None
4. Election of Chair & Vice Chair – Motion to appoint Susan Heuser Committee Chair by Andre, seconded by Jim. Motion approved. Motion to appoint Andre Johnson vice chair by Tim, seconded by Jim. Motion approved.
  5. Next Meeting Date February depending on information from St. Croix County Bike Plan.

### Items for Next Agenda

#### Adjournment

Motion by Tim, seconded by Jim. Motion approved. 8:15 pm

Minutes submitted by

Mark Vanasse