



FRIENDS OF THE FRED MEIJER CLINTON-IONIA-SHIWASSEE TRAIL  
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## Friends of the Fred Meijer CIS Trail Monthly Meeting

Wednesday, June 13, 2018  
6:00 pm, Clinton County Court House  
St. Johns, Michigan

### *Minutes*

1. **Meeting Called to Order** – Chairperson Church called meeting to order at 6:00 pm.
2. **Roll Call**
  - a. *Present*: Janice Gustafson, Dave Weber, Barry Culham (Trail Manager), Rick Church, John Salemi, Doug Hyland, Ardelle Rodgers, Pam Weisenburger, Allen Martin
  - b. *Absent*: Kathy Simon
  - c. *Guests*: Erwin Trumble, Jr.
3. **Approve the Minutes** – **MOTION** to approve the minutes of the May 9, 2018 meeting. Gustafson/Weber M/S/P
4. **Public Comment** - None.
5. **Approve the Agenda** – **MOTION** to approve the agenda as amended orally at meeting. Salemi/Gustafson M/S/P
6. **Update from the Mid-West Michigan Trail Authority** – Culham deferred comments to Item #8 on agenda (Trail Maintenance).
7. **Financial Report** – Treasurer Gustafson submitted written report which was made part of the record. **MOTION** to approve as presented. Rodgers/Salemi M/S/P
8. **Trail Maintenance** - Culham reported on the following activities: a) trail sprayed for weeds previous week; b) discussion of the six test sites for limestone surface west of Dewitt Road; and c) discussion of overall condition of trail.
9. **Old Business**
  - a) *Wayfaring Signs/MSU Student Project* - Removed from agenda.
  - b) *Chain of Command Flow Chart* - Removed from agenda.
  - c) *Liability Insurance Update* - Salemi recommends we stay with our current carrier.
  - d) *Election of Officers* - **MOTION** to nominate current officers as a slate for re-election Hyland/Martin Passed unanimously
  - e) *Board Meeting Schedule* - Discussion of number of meetings necessary per year; possibility of videoconferencing; discussion of email voting. **MOTION** to set next meeting for September 12, 2018 6:00 pm. Gustafson/Hyland M/S/P
  - f) *E-bikes* - Short discussion of the law and policy; decided not to take any action but urged to report any incidents or conflicts to Culham
10. **New Business**
  - a) *Wooden Platforms for Benches* - Short discussion. No action taken
  - b) *Closure of Bridges in Winter* - Discussion. No action taken.
  - c) *Discussion of By-Laws (Church initiated)* - Discussion of topics including “what’s our purpose at this juncture now that trail installed?”; “what is our relationship to the trail authority?”; “where do we fit in the hierarchy?”; discussion of lease; “what are

we going to do about continuing issues involving the trail surface when we have no real leverage/authority?”. No action taken

**11. Next Meeting Date/Location** – September 12, 2018

**12. Adjournment** – MOTION to adjourn, Salemi/Weber M/S/P

*Minutes taken by John Salemi*

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