



FRIENDS OF THE FRED MEIJER CLINTON-IONIA-SHIAWASSEE TRAIL  
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**Friends of the Fred Meijer CIS Trail Monthly Meeting**  
**Wednesday, October 10, 2019**  
**6:00 pm, Main Street Pizza**  
**St. Johns, Michigan**

*Minutes*

1. **Meeting Called to Order** – Chairperson Rodgers called meeting to order at 6:03 pm
2. **Roll Call**
  - a) **Present:** Barry Culham (Trail Manager), Allen Martin, Ardelle Rodgers, Joel Wickham, Rick Church, Kathy Simon, Doug Hyland
  - b) **Absent:** Dave Weber, Pam Kruger, Kathy Simon, Janice Gustafson
  - c) **Guests:** None.
3. **Approve the Minutes** – **MOTION** to approve the minutes of the September 11, 2019 meeting. Martin/Wickham M/S/P
4. **Public Comment** - None.
5. **Approve the Agenda** – Request to add Item 10 C - Resignation of Pam Kruger/Search for New Board Member. **MOTION** to approve the agenda, as amended. Hyland/Martin M/S/P
6. **Update from the Mid-West Michigan Trail Authority** – Culham stated the Grand Rapids Community Foundation monies that are unspent at this time are \$360,575. Information was also given about Scott Road Connector to the CIS Trail in St. Johns.
7. **Financial Report** – Treasurer's report was presented by Rodgers for absent Treasurer Gustafson. **MOTION** to accept report as presented. Hyland/Wickham M/S/P
8. **Trail Maintenance** - Culham presented a 2020 CIS Friends Maintenance Budget for inclusion in the overall MWMTA 2020 Maintenance Budget to the board. **MOTION** to approve the 2020 Maintenance Budget as presented. Wickham/Martin M/S/P Discussion that a thank you note should be sent to the Michigan Milk Producers Association in Ovid for trail dividers they have provided to protect the trail. Also discussed was an update on the recycled asphalt being used on the River Valley Trail.
9. **Old Business**
  - a) **Wayfaring Signs/MSU Project (including 1/2 mile marker)** - Update - No update.
  - b) **Bridge Bollards** - Update - Discussion about waiting until next year before any work is done on bridge bollards in the Muir area.
10. **New Business**
  - a) **Email Motion for Support for the City of St. John's DNR Trust Fund Application** - Passage of this email motion was read into the minutes of this meeting. **MOTION** to Support for the City of St. Johns' DNR Trust Fund Application. Simon/Gustafson M/S/P
  - b) **Public Reaction to Weed Spraying on Trail** - There was some public reaction to spraying weed killer on the trail. It was felt that many of the comments were an

overreaction to the spaying on the trails. Discussion was made as to whether we should post upcoming spraying schedules in the future.

- c) *Resignation of Pam Kruger/Search for New Board Member* - Board accepted resignation of Pam Kruger. A search for a new board member replacement will need to begin.

**11. Next Meeting Date/Location** – November 13, 2019 at 5:30 pm at the Main Street Pizza in St. Johns. Reminder - with the absence of a December meeting, the November meeting will need to combine the elements for both the November and December meetings.

**12. Adjournment** – **MOTION** to adjourn at 7:13 pm. Church/Hyland M/S/P

*Minutes taken by Rick Church*