



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

Wednesday, November 14, 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, Barry Culham (Trail Manager), Rick Church, John Salemi, Allen Martin, Dave Weber, Doug Hyland, Ardelle Rodgers, Pam Weisenburger
 - b. *Absent:* Kathy Simon
 - c. *Guests:* None
3. **Approve the Minutes** – **MOTION** to approve the minutes of the October 10, 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. Gustafson/Hyland M/S/P
6. **Update from the Mid-West Michigan Trail Authority** – Culham deferred comments to Item #8.
7. **Financial Report** – Treasurer Gustafson presented the September report which was made part of the record. September report amended to include \$10,000 grant. Discussion re year end projects. Discussion re reimbursement to Culham. **MOTION** to approve as presented. Salemi/Martin M/S/P **MOTION** to approve the Financial Report as presented. Hyland/Rodgers M/S/P
8. **Trail Maintenance** - Discussion items: 1) tree removal; 2) bench platforms; 3) bollards at bridges and installation; and 4) landscaping by overpass in St. Johns.
9. **Old Business**
 - a) *Wayfaring Signs/MSU Student Project* - Hyland provided brief update (MSU designing)
 - b) *Wooden platforms for benches* - Item removed as discussed earlier under Item #8.
 - c) *Closure of Bridge During Winter* - Discussed earlier under Item #8.
 - d) *Installation of Gustafson Bench* - Brief discussion re location, time to install
 - e) *Centralized Trail Clearinghouse* - Deferred because of Simon's absence.
10. **New Business**
 - a) *Annual Meeting* - Date/location discussion. Discussion re purpose of meeting and changes to be considered. Place as agenda item on January 2019 meeting.
 - b) *Trail Condition Discussion* - No action taken.
 - c) *Bikepacking Discussion* - No action taken.
 - d) *Discussion re How to Increase Trail Use* - No action taken.
11. **Next Meeting Date/Location** – January 9, 2019, Clinton County Courthouse, Conference Room C
12. **Adjournment** – **MOTION** to adjourn at 7:16 pm Gustafson/Rodgers M/S/P

Minutes taken by John Salemi