

SHAWANO PATHWAYS ANNUAL MEETING

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NOVEMBER 10, 2015

Meeting called to order by Jerry Czech

Nancy B.K. Discussed possible grant options available to Pathways for the bike routes. Also discussed a Pathways newsletter, fund raising opportunities and improved signage especially along the missing portion of the Mountain Bay Trail.

Old board members were introduced and thanked for their service. A new slate of board members was presented. Brian Krause and Jerry Czech were nominated. A third member was needed and Mary LaMarch volunteered to be the third candidate for the board. Motion to approve the slate carried.

Jerry Czech discussed treasurer report in place to treasurer Nancy Schultz who could not attend. Discussion followed. Motion to approve by Dave Schmidt. Second by Matty. Motion approved.

Matty reviewed the activities for this year. It has been a busy year.

Born Learning Trail. Ed Grist of the Mielke Foundation discussed how money was allotted from the Foundation. The trail was created for children. Eight community groups helped with the Born Learning Trail.

SMART (Super Market Activities Really Teach) located in Charlies County Market. The program was created by Donna Thomas a former teacher and four other teachers.

Bike the Barn Quilts. Third annual ride with 176 riders, 80 volunteers, community groups Five 4H groups and wonderful weather. There was a good increase in the number of riders from Shawano. Next year, plans include two walk runs and mini quilts.

Wescott Bike Routes. There are three routes in Wescott and all start at the Mielke theater.

Park to Park Loops There are three routes

Lets Get Moving Three hundred people involved

Safe route to School Every school in Shawano and Bonduel participated except the High schools which were not eligible.

Paddle to Peddle First annual held this past June. Mountain Bay Outfitters were the main sponsor. Dropped off on M bridge and paddled to bridge on CC and then biked

back to Shawano. 40 people participated.

Planned for this coming year. Nancy B.K. discussed the completion of the Yellow Trail Loop missing half mile. It is up for vote by the Shawano County Board on November 18. Pathways has the necessary money. The County needs to maintain portion of the trail. Members were strongly urged to attend County Board meeting to show support for approval of the trail.

Jerry Czech introduced the guest speaker for the evening. Rev. Deacon Dale Hutjens biked the 4800 mile Transamerica Trail in 2014. The account of his adventure was both entertaining and inspiring. The trip lasted 90 days.

The meeting closed with a q & a session with guest speaker.

Respectfully submitted by

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Interim Secretary