



Vision

Enrich the community and promote a healthy lifestyle by facilitating the creation of a network of public trails and greenways.

Mission

- To promote the importance of greenways and trails to the quality of life within the community.
- To plan for and facilitate the development, implementation and improvement of a greenway and trails network within Shawano County and adjacent areas for recreation and alternative transportation.
- To sponsor and provide various opportunities for healthy outdoor activities for all ages.

SHAWANO PATHWAYS Board Meeting Tuesday, March 9 Minutes - meeting called to order at 6:35 pm

Presiding: Nancy Brown Koeller

Note taker: Dana Mueller

In Attendance: Matty Mathison, Nitta Charnon, Brad Holz, Melanie Curti, Dave Koeller, Will Kort, John Koeller, Vicki Johnson, Mary Krueger, Maxine Williams

- Approval of February 8, 2021 meeting minutes - Motion to approve - Matty Mathison, second Brad Holz, minutes approved as written
- Treasurer's Report – Nitta Charnon - Nitta provided four reports to summarize Pathways finances. \$1000 grant received for GRACE trail and \$1000 grant for Main St user activated lights. The grant for the Main St lights was submitted to Coldwell Banker and kicks off the fundraising for the Main St. project. Thank you to John for delivering the grant application. Motion to approve - Vicki Johnson, second Matty Mathison, reports accepted as written
- Old Business
 1. Maple Hills Maps - Nancy Brown Koeller 4 minutes - Have distributed 500 maps so far, Nancy is going to ask Cty Parks department to take over providing the maps. No objections to Pathways continuing to provide the maps if the Cty Parks department will not take it over
 2. Bike Fix it Station - Will Kort 8 minutes - Will reached out to Keith to find out the plan for installation of the stations. A live presentation/demonstration of the stations would be beneficial, would be able to video the demonstration and post on FB/YT. Will look into a QR code as a way to track the usage of the stations. Will is going to reach out to Matt Hendricks to determine if the city is going to pay for any stations or only install them. Nancy will send Will the contact info for a videographer.
 3. Insurance - Nancy Brown Koeller - 6 minutes - nothing to report, will revisit next month
 4. Flyers/Distribution - Vicki Johnson - New system worked well, as new businesses open they will need to be added to the list. No flyers to distribute this month. Let Vicki know if you see a business open that was previously closed. Mary will take flyers to local banks.
 5. Rails to Trails Meeting - Nancy Brown Koeller and Matty Mathison - met with 2 members of the Rails to Trails national organization. Want to resolve the disconnect on the trail. A portion of the rail is not abandoned. Will need to build a coalition of groups before approaching the railroad, need to include the area snowmobile groups.
 6. Snowshoe Projects/Events - Matty Mathison 15 minutes - Snowshoe events were popular this year. People started using areas more on their own now that signage is in place. Matty spoke to the logger that will be logging at Kroenke at a later date. Matty is going to find out if the signs can stay in place

- during the logging or if we will have to pull them out temporarily. Matty would like to offer 2 full moon hikes next year. She has to complete the grant and will work with Nitta to finalize numbers.
7. BTBQ update - Matty Mathison 10 minutes - Dave, Matty and Greg got together to edit the maps. Matty has gone over signs and food stations. 3 options for start discussed with the police chief, currently undecided. Map sponsors due March 12th. Looking for 3rd food station in Gresham, perhaps out towards Captain's Cove. Nitta recommended reaching out to the FRESH project. Add QR code to advertisements, having remote walk/run, quilt raffle. Aiming to start in person meetings in May.
 8. GRACE trail info - Matty Mathison - 10 minutes - Visited sites and picked 5 possible areas for stations - bench and boulder would be placed at each station with each concept on the boulder. Idea was to invite people to purchase benches as memorials, Matt is going to talk to Torborg's for lumber for Dave to build benches. Matty wrote an AARP grant which we received (\$1000). Going to create a page for the website with info on the trail. Will start volunteer groups in May to begin work on the trails.

➤ New Business

1. Rails to Trails Meeting - Nancy and Matty 2 minutes - duplicate item
2. Belle Plaine Ride Opportunity - Melanie Curti 5 minutes - Ride in July to replace Belle Plaine portion of BTBQ. Would ask Stubborn Bros to help sponsor the event. Melanie will spearhead the event and update the group on her progress next month.
3. Mt Bay Trail Reporter - Melanie Curti 5 minutes - Travel WI asked for trail reporters to report on a weekly basis on the conditions of the trail. Melanie advised Travel WI also has a large number of grants. If you are out on the trail and notice conditions to report, let Melanie know. Friends groups in Marathon and Brown Counties should be able to provide reporters for their portions of the trails. Matty recommended speaking to Nancy Schultz about recruiting others that walk it daily to become reporters as well.
4. City of Shawano Bike/Ped Planning - Nancy Brown Koeller 6 minutes - Temporary group the ECW Regional Planning is helping coordinate/manage the city's 5 year plan. Reached out to Nancy to find people to be on the committee. First meeting was March 9th.
5. Grant from Coldwell Banker - Nancy Brown Koeller 3 minutes - covered in treasurer's report
6. SP meeting day/time check - Nancy Brown Koeller 6 minutes - 6 pm is a good time for everyone, Nancy is going to send out a survey to determine the best day. Melanie volunteered to watch the time of each agenda item.
7. Kiosk on Mt Bay trail got knocked over. The city parks dept is not responsible for repairing. Nitta advised if the county was plowing and hit it, Grant would reimburse for the damage. Another option would be to ask Brian from BJ Graphics if he could repair it. Will asked if a pay station could be added to the kiosk. Nancy will email Grant the picture and then ask Brian to repair.
8. Zoom host back up - Nancy Brown Koeller 2 minutes - need a paid account to do a Zoom meeting, unpaid accounts are limited to 40 minute meetings. Will take a poll next month to see if we can start in person meetings in May.
9. Volunteer Opportunities
 - a. May 1 Park to Park Clean up - 10 am - 12 pm
 - b. Wescott Bike Ride May 22nd - asked Dennis & Karen Schroeder to be managers, will need to know for sure by April. If they decline Pathways would need to find another ride manager.
 - c. Paddle & Pedal June 19th
10. Committee & Task Force Report - working on getting a 2nd mailbox key, Mary Krueger will keep the 2nd key. Nancy Schultz has to go get it, would like to put Mary down on the form. Brad asked Nancy to review the site for Paddle & Pedal and advise of any changes. Should post something on FB stating that people should stay off the trail due to current conditions. Will found the address for the property where the kiosk is located, it is Jim Zierden's property. John is going to talk to Jim on March 10th. Brad brought up that it could have been done by a snowmobile trail groomer, Will advised that he thought Tom Zastrow is responsible for that area. Melanie posted a rough draft of the disconnect with pictures and recommendations, asked that everyone review it and advise prior to her meeting with the Friends group on Tuesday March 16. 2 new lifetime members joined - Mary Lisa and Peter.

Motion to adjourn - Brad Holz, second Nitta Charnon. Meeting adjourned 8:15 pm