

REGULAR MEETING of the PAINT CREEK TRAILWAYS COMMISSION

Held at the Rochester Municipal Building, 400 Sixth Street
Rochester, Oakland County, Michigan

CALL TO ORDER: The Tuesday March 17, 2009 meeting was called to order by Chair Blanchard at 7:00 p.m.

Voting Members Present: David Becker, Rock Blanchard, Edward Peters, Ravi Yalamanchi (*enter 7:05 p.m.*), Alice Young

Voting Alternates Present: Linda Gamage, Martha Olijnyk, Kathy Thomas

Non-Voting Alternates Present: Paul Miller

Non-Voting Members Present: None

Voting Members Absent: Marc Edwards, Richard Schultz, Maryann Whitman

Alternates Absent: Jeff Matis, Penny Shults, Michael Webber

Others Present: John Makris, Attorney (*enter 7:05 p.m.*), Kristen Myers, Trail Manager

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION by Becker, supported by Thomas, ***Moved***, to approve the March 17, 2009 agenda as presented.

Ayes: All Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. Minutes of February 17, 2009 Regular meeting, approve and file
- b. February Treasurer's Report, receive and file

MOTION by Young, supported by Becker, ***Moved***, to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Ayes: All Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF INVOICES: Ms. Myers presented the invoices in the amount of \$11,408.27, which includes 1st quarter wages and FICA for Trail Manager to Oakland Township and the attorney's 2nd quarter retainer fee. Estimated fund balance is \$64,000.

MOTION by Young, supported by Gamage, ***Moved***, that the invoices presented for payment are approved in the amount of \$11,408.27 and orders be drawn for payment

Ayes: All Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED.

TEMPORARY PERMIT APPLICATION – ASHA for Education – June 21, 2009: Ms.

Lavanya Pilli, representing the Detroit Chapter of ASHA for Education, came forward and explained her request. ASHA means hope, and it is a non-profit organization supporting basic education. The event is a 5k walk/run fundraiser on the trail from 6:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m., expecting approximately 200 participants. Ms. Myers suggested parking arrangements be made at either the Cider Mill or Rochester Municipal Park because of the amount of participants. Ms.

Pilli has contacted Bruce Austin, City of Rochester, relative to parking, but is waiting for approval.

MOTION by Becker, supported by Young, *Moved*, to approve the temporary permit for ASHA for Education's June 21, 2009 event contingent upon receiving insurance paperwork naming the PCTC as additionally insured, and receipt of the \$25.00 permit application fee.

Ayes: All Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED.

TEMPORARY PERMIT APPLICATION – Hometown Hustle – June 13, 2009: Ms. Laura Murphy, representing Rochester Community Schools, came forward and explained her request. The event is a walk on the trail from Rochester Municipal Park to Ludlow from 8:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m., expecting approximately 400 participants. Ms. Myers has received the insurance paperwork, and a letter requesting that the permit fee be waived. She reminded the Commission that they waived the fee in 2008.

MOTION by Gamage, supported by Yalamanchi, *Moved*, to approve the temporary permit for Rochester Community School's June 13, 2009 event, waiving the application fee.

Ayes: All Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED.

NATIONAL TRAILS DAY 2009: Ms. Myers indicated Ms. Golden is supposed to be in attendance, and suggested we postpone this issue until after she arrives.

PURCHASE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST: Ms. Myers explained that due to it being early spring, it will be easier to document encroachments without vegetation, and has been researching digital camcorders. She has found one with appropriate specifications at a price that is reasonable. The Sony DVD camcorder sells at Best Buy for \$650, but she has located one on line from a reputable company for \$479.95, and is requesting authorization to purchase. There is \$1,500 in the office and trail equipment budget. It was suggested that an extra battery and a bag/case be purchased.

MOTION by Young, supported by Olijnyk, *Moved*, to approve the purchase of the Sony DVD camcorder, the extra battery and a bag, at a cost not to exceed \$700.00.

Ayes: All Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED.

AUTHORIZATION FOR ADDITIONAL BIKE PATROL HOURS: To assist in the task of documenting encroachments, Ms. Myers is requesting approval to hire Bike Patroller David Moutrie for up to 20 additional hours at the rate of \$12.00/hr., for a total of an additional \$258.48. There is \$1,750 in the miscellaneous/contingency budget that can be used to cover this expense.

MOTION by Becker, supported by Olijnyk, *Moved*, to approve 20 additional hours at \$12.00/hr. for the bike patroller at a cost of \$258.48.

Ayes: All Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED.

MANAGER'S REPORT: Nothing in addition to the written report.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: No report given.

NATIONAL TRAILS DAY 2009: Ms. Myers suggested instead of celebrating National Trails Day on June 6th, to move our event to July 11th in order to coincide with Lake Orion DDA's Duathlon event. The running segment of the Duathlon will be held on the trail in the Lake Orion

area. It was suggested that a ribbon cutting ceremony for the Rochester Art Project be held on June 6th.

MOTION by Young, supported by Gamage, *Moved*, to have the Rochester art project ribbon cutting ceremony on June 6th, and to piggy-back with Lake Orion's Duathlon event on July 11th.
Ayes: All Nays: None **MOTION CARRIED.**

COMMISSIONER REPORTS: Mr. Becker stated the Personnel Committee should meet soon to make decisions about this years' salary. The Rochester Art Project Committee met last week, and everything is still on schedule to place the displays in the ground mid-April. Mr. Miller reported that the Michigan Conservation Stewardship class is going great and the instructors are very informative. It was suggested that moving our meetings to the Cider Mill Trail Offices be put on a future agenda for discussion. The tornado sirens will now sound when there is a 70 mile an hour windstorm front coming through. The Master Plan has been forwarded to all appropriate entities.

ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION:

MOTION by Young, supported by Becker, *Moved*, to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:35 p.m. and enter into Executive Session.
Ayes: All Nays: None **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Yamanchi, supported by Thomas, *Moved*, to enter into Executive Session at 7:35 p.m.
Ayes: Becker, Blanchard, Gamage, Olijnyk, Peters, Thomas, Yalamanchi, Young
Nays: None **MOTION CARRIED.**

The Regular Meeting reconvened at 9:20 p.m.

MOTION by Young, moved by Becker, *Moved*, that our attorney act as directed during the Executive Session.
Ayes: All Nays: None **MOTION CARRIED.**

NEXT MEETING: April 21, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION by Yalamanchi, supported by Peters, *Moved*, that the March 17, 2009 Regular Meeting be adjourned at 9:22 p.m.
Ayes: All Nays: None **MOTION CARRIED.**

Respectfully submitted,

KRISTEN MYERS, Trail Manager

EDWARD PETERS, Trailways Secretary