

**Polly Ann Trail Management Council, Inc. (PATMC)**  
**Council Meeting Minutes**  
**October 19, 2005, 2:30 p.m.**  
**Orion Township – Friendship Park Pavilion**

**Present:** Council Members:

Eugene Mallia , Chairman	(LV)
Pauline Blanka	(LV)
Sue Bellairs	(OxT)
Kallie Roesner	(OxT)
Robert Koski, Vice Chairman	(AT)
Matt Gibb (arrived at 3:22 p.m.)	(OrT)
Alice Young	(OrT)
Joe Young	(OxV)

Trail Manager Lois Golden

**Absent:**

Ed Brakefield	(AT)
Renee Donovan	(OxV)

**Others present** Larry Obrecht, Kristen Myers, Peggy Johnson, and Tom Smith.

Respects were given to the flag and invocation by Pauline Blanka.

**Call to Order/Roll Call:**

Chairperson Eugene Mallia called the meeting to order at 2:37 p.m. Secretary Young called the roll. A quorum was present.

**Approval of the Agenda:**

Robert Koski moved, Alice Young seconded, to approve the agenda. By voice vote the motion passed unanimously. Absent: Donovan, Brakefield.

**Approval of the Minutes:**

Kallie Roesner clarified that the minutes attributed a comment by a citizen to herself. It was noted that Merle Richmond made the comment about the preferred trail surface in response to Ms. Roesner's question. Eugene Mallia moved, Alice Young seconded, to approve the September 21, 2005 minutes, as corrected. By voice vote the motion passed unanimously. Absent: Donovan, Brakefield.

**Public Comment:** none

**Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer Alice Young went over the Treasurer's report. The checking account balance as of September 30 was \$43,152.81. Current bills due totaled \$5,515.90. Pauline Blanka moved, Bob Koski seconded, to approve the bills to pay in the amount of \$5,515.90. By roll call vote the motion passed unanimously. Absent: Donovan, Brakefield.

### **Trail Manager's Report**

Trail Manager Golden written report was received.

### **Citizen's Representatives Report**    None

### **Development Status Update ( agenda item 9 )**

Larry Obrecht reported on the construction status of the trail and bridge project. The flat surface is about done. The sign master plan is being handled by the Road Commission, except for two informational sign which Larry is getting quotes on. The bridge fabrication is behind schedule. An issue with DTE wire height is to be resolved. The cross walk striping is being handled by the Road Commission. The stone for the 16 piers is to be ordered. Stair steps for the bridge are to be addressed with MDOT. They have a concern with liability and maintenance of the steps. The grand opening is expected to cost around \$20,000 which could be funded by sponsors. Larry suggested providing engraved silver plated shovels for the major donors estimated at \$1,500.

Old Business:

### **DNR Lease- Subcommittee Overview and Recommendations (agenda item 10 a.)**

Matt Gibb and the subcommittee are to review the lease for the next meeting.

New Business:

### **Auditor Letters and distribution of the 2004 audit (agenda item 11 a.)**

Auditor letters and the 2004 audit were received. The fee for next years audit is \$5,100. Alice Young commented on the suggestions made by the auditors which have been implemented.

### **Gates/Bollards at Scripps Road in Orion Township (agenda item 11 b.)**

A access problem with the Scripps road trail entrance was discussed. Eugene Mallia suggested to move the gates from Leonard to the Orion section. A bollard that had been asphalted into the center of the trail access is to be removed. Robert Koski read a letter from Mark Mandenberg on a design option for horse use on the trail. Grant funding could be possible for the horse trail. A site visit for the layout this fall or next spring is planned.

### **Election of Vice President (agenda item 11 c.)**

This matter was set aside while Addison is seeking funding for their payment. No 60 day notice has been received.

### **Leonard Trailhead- ADA compliance (agenda item 11 d.)**

Discussion regarding the Leonard trail heading being ADA compliance was held.

Matt Gibb moved, seconded by Alice Young, to authorized trail manager Lois Golden to have the Leonard trail head restroom facility made ADA compliant. By voice vote the motion passed, unanimously. Absent: Donovan, Brakefield.

**Septic Tank Cleaning (agenda item 11.e.)**

Eugene Mallia moved, Pauline Blanka seconded, to approve up to \$200 to have the septic tank cleaned. By roll call vote the motion passed unanimously. Absent: Donovan, Brakefield.

**Bollard at Gerst Road (agenda item 11.f.)**

The bollard clearance issue as discussed previously is to be resolved with the Trail Manager and Mr. Koski.

**RTP 2005 Grant (agenda item 11.g.)**

The \$60,000 DNR Recreation Trails Program (RTP) grant as discussed.

**Maps/brochures (agenda item 11.h.)**

A copy of a revised map was issued for review for the next meeting.

**PATMC Restructuring- options/amended intergovernmental agreement (agenda item 11.i.)**

This matter is to be discussed at next month's meeting.

**Council Member Comments (item 12)**

The status of grant applications was discussed. The master plan need to be amended to qualify for certain grants.

Larry Obrecht is to email the project fact sheet.

Pauline Blanka suggested that Lois Golden look for grants for Orion Township and equestrian projects.

**Adjournment**

Alice Young moved, seconded by Matt Gibb, to adjourn. By voice vote the motion passed unanimously. Absent: Donovan, Brakefield.

The meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Minutes prepared by K. Joe Young

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 16, 2005 at 2:30 p.m. at the Oxford Community Room.