

Polly Ann Trail Management Council, Inc. (PATMC)
Council Meeting Minutes
November 16, 2005, 2:30 p.m.
Village of Oxford Community Room

Present: Council Members:

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| Pauline Blanka | (LV) |
| Sue Bellairs | (OxT) |
| Kallie Roesner | (OxT) |
| Robert Koski, Vice Chairman | (AT) |
| Matt Gibb (arrived at 2:55 p.m.) | (OrT) |
| Alice Young | (OrT) |
| Joe Young | (OxV) |

Trail Manager Lois Golden

Absent:

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| Eugene Mallia, Chairman | (LV) |
| Ed Brakefield | (AT) |
| Renee Donovan | (OxV) |

Others present Rock Blanchard, Peggy Johnson, and Tom Smith.

Respects were given to the flag.

Call to Order/Roll Call:

Vice Chairperson Robert Koski called the meeting to order at 2:31 p.m. Secretary Young called the roll. A quorum was present.

Approval of the Agenda:

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

Approval of the Minutes:

Alice Young moved, Sue Bellairs seconded, to approve the October 19, 2005 minutes with the amendment to the council member comments to read "Pauline Blanka suggested that Lois Golden look for grants for Orion Township and equestrian projects." By voice vote the motion passed unanimously. Absent: Mallia, Brakefield, Donovan.

Public Comment:

Peggy Johnson reported that the DNR and Lapeer County agreement is in place with funding at \$20,000 for the first year.

Rock Blanchard reported on the trail developments in Orion Township.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Alice Young went over the Treasurer's report. The checking account balance as of October 31 was \$39,705.42. Current bills due totaled \$35,558.10. Joe Young

moved, Pauline Blanka seconded, to approve the bills to pay in the amount of \$35,558.10. By roll call vote the motion passed unanimously. Absent: Mallia, Brakefield, Donovan.

Sue Bellairs moved, seconded by Alice Young, to request that the Tetra Tech engineering bills be sent to the project manager, treasurer and trail manager and that the bills be addressed to the PATMC office (not the project manager's personal resident). By voice vote the motion passed unanimously. Absent: Mallia, Brakefield, Donovan.

A grant reimbursement schedule was presented by Lois Golden for a total of \$35,144.00

Trail Manager's Report

Trail Manager Golden written report was received and highlighted by Lois.

Citizen's Representatives Report None

Development Status Update (agenda item 9)

Joe Young reported on the construction status of the trail and bridge project from the last construction meeting that he attended with Larry Obrecht. Once the bridge fabrication is finalized a decision to place it in December or wait until the spring will be made. The concrete work on the deck and ramps will be delayed until spring. Stair steps for the bridge are to be addressed with MDOT.

Old Business:

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

Matt Gibb is to review the lease for the next meeting. The lease is needed for the April grant application due date.

Leonard Trailhead/ADA Compliance – Equestrian Side Path- Update

Lois Golden reported on a visit by Mark Mandenberg of the DNR regarding various trail matters including the ADA compliance issues. The grade and surface for ADA access to the restroom facility was addressed. Signage for the parking lot handicap use and a drawing of the proposed improvements was requested by the DNR representative.

New Business:

Orion Township/PATMC Grant Application to Community Foundation of SE MI (agenda item 11.a.)

Rock Blanchard requested letters of support from the Council for two grant applications. The grant applications are for an extension of the Polly Ann Trail in Orion Township. The Community Foundation of Southeast Michigan Greenways Initiative request was for \$75,000 which is due December 1. The second grant application is with MDOT to be filled early next year for approximately \$660,000. Local matching funds are required for both grants.

Resolutions for both grants were presented for Council consideration.

Pauline Blanka moved, seconded by Alice Young to approve the resolution of support for a joint grant application to the Community Foundation for Southeastern Michigan. By roll call vote the motion passed unanimously. Absent: Mallia, Brakefield, Donovan.

Kallie Roesner moved, seconded by Pauline Blanka to approve the resolution of support for a joint grant application to the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT). By roll call vote the motion passed unanimously. Absent: Mallia, Brakefield, Donovan.

Gates- Leonard Horse Buggy Access (agenda item 11 b.)

A request to use the trail for horse buggy access by Carol Becker was set aside/tables.

Motorized Vehicle Use on the Trail (agenda item 11 c.)

Lois Golden reported on motorized vehicle use of the trail matters. She is to contact Oakland County Sheriff regarding this matter.

Advertising and Web Site Link Policy for Commercial Entities (agenda item 11 d.)

Lois Golden commented on commercial entity link on the web site. The consensus was that a contribution as a sponsor would be appropriate.

Maps/brochures (agenda item 11.e.)

A general outline for the brochure revisions was presented for council's consideration.

Addison Township PATMC participation- Intergovernmental Agreement (agenda item 11.f.)

Bob Koski reported on the status of Addison Township seeking funding for their payment.

Election of Vice President (agenda item 11.g.)

This matter was set aside/tables.

Council Member Comments

Adjournment

Sue Bellairs moved, seconded by Pauline Blanka, to adjourn. By voice vote the motion passed unanimously. Absent: Mallia, Brakefield, Donovan.

The meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Minutes prepared by K. Joe Young

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 21, 2005 at 2:30 p.m. at the Orion Township Friendship Park Pavilion.