

Public Meeting Minutes

Wednesday Oct 7, 2009

Black Creek Community Center

Call to Order at 7:38 pm.

Attending board: Nancy Raabe, Mike Gustman, Mel Shafel, Cindy Sherman and Pete Vande Wetering. Dismissed are Wayne Schmidt, Noelle Nieland and Fran Seidl.

Secretary's Report was read by Nancy Raabe. No changes were noted. Motion made by Mike Young to accept by minutes, seconded by Tim Conradt. Motioned carried to vote, minutes are accepted..

Treasures report by Mel Shafel. \$117.95 in account. Deposited \$115.00, Total in account \$232.95 . Mike Young moves to accept Treasures report, Mike Sherman seconds. Motioned carried to vote, Treas. Report is accepted.

Old Business;

Secretary - call is addressed to floor for secretary position. No response from the floor. Discussion is made of duty requirements, meeting frequency.

Discussion is made of frequency on meetings. Topic is made of having meeting every 2 months for general public meetings. Tim Conradt makes motion to have public meetings every 2 months, Mike Young seconds. Motion is called to vote, decision is accepted to hold meetings every 2 months starting after the Nov 09 meeting.

Parking - Nancy Raabe reports in Wayne Schmidt's absence on the parking issue. Mike Pennings from DNR gave Wayne map of land given for public use. The map shows a strip of land in Black Creek adjacent to the north side of the trail from Main Street to Maple Street for use as parking. This is a nice strip of land and would need no development for use. Development of Trail signage along with public info could start immediately or as soon as a committee is formed for this purpose.

The land North of Main Street is still unknown as of ownership, but may not be as attractive as once thought with the discovery of the new strip on the east side of Main.

It was mentioned to Wayne at the Black Creek town meeting of Sept 15. that the land behind the pallet factory did not have public access, but a map obtained from Mike Pennings showed that the roadway on Factory Street is included for public access. That land would need much in the way of development, and would not be able for public use as soon as the abutting strip.

Wayne is also working on parking in Seymour. He is contact with a land owner there who might be convinced to allow parking on a portion of his property.

Raabe stated that parking is critical to the trail - we need a committee for this project.

Mileage signs - Zane Duffy from Seymour needs help to finish his eagle scout project of setting up mileage posts. Mike Gustman offered to help, no other offers from the floor. Pete Vande Wetering will to talk to Chris Brandt to clear a vehicle on trail to assist with post hole digging.

New Business:

Board - Nominations for 3 new board members (plus secretary) is taken to the floor. Pete Vanden Wetering, Wayne Schmidt and Fran Seidl, the 1 year members are stepping down and will be replaced with new officials in 3 year positions. No response from the floor. After much encouragement from the board, all the development has been done by the original board, the first nomination is made, and accepted by Mike Young of Shiocton.

Ruth Beilfuss of Seymour volunteers as Secretary, and is applauded for her contribution.

Next Ed Chizek of Seymour is nominated and accepted as board.

Tricia Werner of Black Creek, and Tim Conradt of Shiocton are also nominated and accept the offer of board positions. Motion is made to close nominations, seconded by Pete Vande Wetering. Elections will be held at the Nov 4th meeting. It is announced that parties must be paid members to vote, as written in the by-laws.

Mel Shafel proposes to carry paid dues through the year 2010. A vote is called and accepted to have all dues paid in 2009 carried through to the end of 2010.

Tim Conradt spoke with organizers of Wis Sanctioned Canoe Racers, the need for such an event in this area was met with much encouragement. Could also organize an unsanctioned event as well. Help was offered to Tim by the organization for info and advice.

Mike Young announced that the first gun hunt will start the weekend of Oct 10 with the youth hunt on Sat and Sun. An antlerless hunt will take place Oct 15 thru the 18th. Hunting violations should be reported to Mike Young, DNR tip line or the county police. The public should wear safety colors while on the trail.

The next public meeting is set for November 4th @ 7:30 PM. at the Black Creek Community Center.

Public meeting adjourned at 8:48 PM

Meeting attendees;

Mike Sherman	New London
Chad Huerth	New London
Alden & Geraldine Moeller	Seymour
John Stedl	Seymour
Rick Stedl	Seymour
Tricia Werner	Black Creek
Ruth Beilfuss	Seymour
Judy Shafel	Shiocton
Mike Young	PP Box 217 Shiocton, WI
Tim Conradt	N5619 Shiocton, WI
Ed Chezek	Black Creek
Jan Gustman	Seymour
Marie Vande Wetering	Appleton
Mike Hendrick	Appleton
Lori Schneider	New London
Bill Wise	1006 Lawrence, New London
Gary Heidmann	W5636 Forest Rd, Black Creek