



**ADA TOWNSHIP SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY OCTOBER 17, 2023 at 5:00 P.M.
AMY VAN ANDEL LIBRARY COMMUNITY ROOM #1
MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Leisman at 5:00 P.M.

Members Present: Trustees Proos, Carter, Proos, Hurwitz, Supervisor Leisman, Clerk Smith, Treasurer Moran.

Members Absent: Trustee Jacobs.

Staff Present: Manager Suchy, Deputy Clerk McIntosh, Planning Director Said, Township Engineer Groenenboom, Buildings, Facilities, and Ground Director Brinks, Recreation Programmer Deason, Parks and Recreation Director Fitzpatrick.

Trail Committee Members Present: Vandenberg, Leisman, Brown, Ferro, Damstra

Public Present: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Trustee Hurwitz, supported by Trustee Proos to approve the October 17, 2023 agenda. **Motion Carried. 6-0.**

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

NEW BUSINESS

Pettis Avenue Trail (Phase II) Location Discussion: Determine Request for Devos Family Foundation (Due Nov 1)

Manager Suchy gave a summary of the Phase II plan and summarized the memo that was provided to board members. Engineer Groenenboom provided context regarding the mockup of the bridge, and the feasibility of the project. Members asked questions regarding donor naming opportunities, the neighborhood, and the possibility of a tunnel at the Chief Hazy Cloud crossing. Motion by Moran, supported by Carter to table the discussion to the Monday October 23, 2023 Township Board meeting. **Motion Carried. 6-0.**

Wayfinding Signage Presentation – Corbin Design: Wayfinding Next Steps

Manager Suchy introduced Rebecca Dixon from Corbin Design. Dixon presented on the wayfinding signage to the board. Her presentation included naming, number systems, destination list, and cost estimations for the project. The board members asked questions regarding replacement timeline, budget framework, and warranty. Manager Suchy stated there are trail funds available, but the final amount would depend on the bids received. Motion by Proos, supported by Smith to proceed with next phase, accepting Corbin Design's proposal and proceed with going out to bid for the fabrication and installation. **Motion Carried. 6-0.**

Consider Action on Kamp Twins Trail Segment

Manager Suchy presented the Kamp Twins segment, changes, and user experience and ADA compliance. Motion by Proos, supported by Carter to move forward with the Kamp Twins connector. **Motion Carried. 6-0.**

Supervisor Leisman indicated he needed to leave and someone would need to take over the meeting. Motion by Carter, supported by Hurwitz to appoint Treasurer Moran to chair the rest of the meeting. **Motion Carried. 6-0.**

Grand River Greenway Update – Verbal

Manager Suchy presented a graphic provided by the Grand River Greenway regarding county ARPA contributions, and identified potential locations for trails throughout Ada. Engineer Groenenboom presented on the different options for utilizing different trails through Ada.

Update on Status of 2023 Projects

-Legacy Park to Fulton St. Bridge

Engineer Groenenboom presented photos from the job site.

-Rix Street Trail

Manager Suchy presented the parcel mapper to visualize different alternatives through the neighborhood as the railroad will not allow us to place a trail on their right-of-way. The Rix Street Trail is currently not moving forward but could be part of a potential Safe Routes to School Program in the coming years.

General Updates

-2023 Maintenance Project

Manager Suchy and Engineer Groenenboom presented that the project is finished and came in under budget. This is an annual project in order to actively maintain the 23 miles of trails.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

Trustee Carter stated concern about the Pettis project expense and timing but is unsure how to proceed.

Clerk Smith stated she is happy with the progress the Trail Committee has made and is happy to be in attendance of the joint meeting.

OPPORTUNITY FOR ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT *(Limit of 3 Minutes Per Speaker)*

There was no public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Hurwitz, supported by Trustee Carter to adjourn. **Motion Carried. 6-0.**
Meeting was adjourned at 6:27 P.M.