

Minto Trails Committee Minutes October 19, 2017 8:00 p.m. Town of Minto Municipal Office

Present: Deputy Mayor Ronald Faulkner, Quinn Foerter, Greg Mallett, Dave Mallett, Paul Frayne, Vic

Palmer, Rick Rock

Absent: Susan & Scotty Forbes (Palmerston Trails Association), Jill Welsh (Harriston Trails Association)

Deputy Mayor Faulkner called the meeting to order at 8:01 pm

Role of the Committee

The Trails Committee will function similar to the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee in that it is their responsibility to meet, discuss ideas and plans for the Trails, and report back to Council with recommendations. Quinn will amend the current PRAC Terms of Reference to create a document that can be used to govern the Trails Committee.

Finances

The County of Wellington has provided a grant of \$40,000 to be spent on Trails upgrades and maintenance. We recently spent \$30,000 on a Boom Flail Mower, and around \$5400 on maintenance thus far this year. We are looking in to purchasing a Landpride G51560 for \$1500, or a similar machine, to help maintain the Railway Line. The locks also need to be replaced, this will cost around \$1500. Greg reported that money has been added to the Trails budget for 2018. The other big expenditure will be signage; Greg spoke with Belinda and all signage must adhere to the Town Sign Initiative. The County is also starting a Wayfinding Sign Project, so we may be able to add information to those signs.

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Chair Faulkner would like to plan a Trails Day for the official opening of the Trails in the Spring. Paul Frayne spoke about the CELP program and their relocation to the Harriston Arena and Greenway Trails. Perhaps recruiting a Trails Committee member from the Minto Youth Action Council would also help to promote usage of the Trails to the younger generation. Chair Faulkner also brought up the possibility of walking the Trails system and putting together a list of issues that need to be addressed before the official opening of the Trails in 2018.

RESOLUTION

Moved By: Rick Rock, Seconded By: Dave Mallett

THAT The Minto Trails Committee walk the Trails to identify areas that require maintenance and report back to Council for Staff Direction.

Carried

Next Meeting to be held Wednesday November 15 at 7:00 PM at the Town Office.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Quinn Foerter Clerk's Department, Town of Minto