

Minto Trails Committee Minutes December 20, 2017 7:00 p.m. Town of Minto Municipal Office

Present: Deputy Mayor Ronald Faulkner, Greg Mallett, Vic Palmer, Rick Rock, Dave Mallett, Quinn

Foerter

Absent: Susan Forbes, Scotty Forbes, Paul Frayne, Jill Welsh, Paul Judge

Deputy Mayor Faulkner called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm

Motion

Moved By: Vic Palmer; Seconded By: Dave Mallett THAT the minutes be adopted as circulated.

Carried

Strategic Plan

After discussion, the Trails Committee recommends that the maintenance plan for the Trails is as follows; the Palmerston Trails out to the 7th Line should be improved first this coming summer, with the Harriston Trails to follow second and the Clifford Trails in 2019, due to the construction in Clifford in 2018. It was also found that the Clifford Trail is not recorded on the Wellington County GIS system, which should be rectified.

Chair Faulkner mentioned the possibility of beginning work on the trails in March, to see how the new equipment works, as well as mulching and tree planting. The Trails Committee is planning on partnering with the Minto Youth Action Council to plan an event on the Trails in the spring. We are hoping to have a representative from MYAC join the Committee.

Capital Budget

The Trails Committee would like to see the Capital Budget sit at around 3 times the Operating Budget, or around \$30,000. A \$10,000 operating budget will allow for a yearly program for the Boom Flail Mower, a weekly program for the Scraper as well as maintenance and labour. Stone Dust to line the Trails will cost around \$10 a tonne undelivered. The Stone Dust put down on the North Perth Trails cost around \$11.50 a tonne, and was laid down. The total for the Stone dust would be around \$27,000 and therefore would need to be tendered.

Motion

Moved By: Dave Mallett; Seconded By: Rick Rock THAT the Trails Committee recommend to approve the Capital Budget at \$30,000 for 2018, as presented by Recreation Facilities Manager Al Carr.

Carried

Signage

The cost for a double-sided Trail Head sign would be \$2300, plus \$411 for each 4x8 sign with post and awnings for a total of \$2300 and \$40 each for a 12x18 Trail Sign for a total of \$2500. The Trail Head sign in Palmerston should be redone, but the one in Clifford simply needs to be moved. The recommended legal wording for the signs include statements such as 'Recreational Trail', 'Assumed Risk', and 'No Winter Maintenance'.

<u>Other</u>

Due to member absence, the Trails Committee will not meet in either January or February. Regular meetings will begin again in March.

Next Meeting will be held Wednesday, March 21 2018 at 7:00 PM at the Town of Minto office.

Meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Quinn Foerter Clerk's Department, Town of Minto