



Musketawa Trail



Millennium Trail 2000



National Recreation Trail 2008

Meeting Agenda

Thursday, April 4, 2019

7:00 p.m. Ravenna Village Office
12090 Crockery Creek Road

1. Meeting called to order - Tim Nink, president
2. Review / approve minutes from November 1, 2018 Meeting
3. Secretary report – Donna Christensen
4. Treasurer report - Diana Holovka
5. Correspondence
 - a. Emails via the website asking about next Gold Spike event. Reports of trees down west of Conklin.
 - b. Mail correspondence. Any (Ed/Diana)?
6. Trail Managers Report: Muskegon County/George Czinder; Ottawa County/Anne Engvall
7. Website – Gold Spike IV pictures are uploaded. Getting fairly regular “Contact Us” emails through site.
8. Next Trail newsletter being worked on. Any ideas for content?
9. Current expenditures - Any reimbursement items from board members?
10. Report on recent events/gatherings
 - a. 2019 Quiet Water Symposium on Saturday, March 2, 2019 - Tim
 - b. Friends Group Summit (Michigan DNR) on Friday, March 8 and Saturday, March 9, 2019 – Gary
 - c. Friend Summit (WMTGC) on Saturday, March 23, 2019 – Tim/Gary
11. Project list for 2019 (and beyond):
 - a. Current/existing:
 - i) Design and have printed new t-shirts and polos for board members and available for memberships/public. Review old logo versus logo on post cards (Donna still available? Have another source). Once this is complete, come up with new t-shirt design and design for polos. All t-shirts and polos are gone.
 - ii) Observation deck at Swanson Road, West of Ravenna. Need to stain remaining outside boards this year. Volunteers?
 - iii) Stain remaining decks. These include cleaning/re-staining deck east of Ravenna and adding

stain to deck at trestle just west of Conklin. Use Thompson's TOTAL semi transparent type for penetration of wood and coverage of older material.

iv) Power wash deck east of S. Ravenna Road (this deck was done a couple years ago by Ed/Tim/James. Stain deck at a later date once it is cleaned and dry. George has a source for a water tank?

b. Future/longer term

i) Bike repair stations for trail heads. Nikki with DNR says DNR is very supportive of stations.

Explore costs for a unit. Tim has cost in a proposal. Still working on this.

ii) Item i) to be included with covered shelter for Ravenna. This would replace existing wood decking and picnic table. Cost requires us to explore grant(s) and other funding. Longer term Need assistance with this project. This will require monies to help with engineering proposals/drawings. Michigan DNR (Greg) ground out the stump at the trail head in Ravenna between the picnic tables. This is the most ideal location for the covered shelter. Need volunteer(s) to research/explore/work on this project?

iii) Covered shelter proposed near the trail crossing at Ellis and Squires Roads (at the county line between Muskegon and Ottawa). Will need to get a property map to be able to explore this possibility. Tim will contact Nikki/Jill to assist.

iv) Gold Spike V – Gary has suggested that we “shelve” the event for now. Thoughts? Anyone willing to “step up” to take the role as a coordinator with help from a Gold Spike committee?

v) Other ideas???

12. Annual Friends of the Musketawa Trail dinner taking place on Thursday, April 11, 2019. Location is the same as last year at Ravenna Bowl. Time is 6-7PM for social time with dinner at 7PM. John Morrison from WMTGC will be joining us for a short trails update for the region. A big “THANK YOU” to Diana for putting this together again for us!

13. Miscellaneous

14. Adjourn

Respectfully submitted,
Timothy Nink, President

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