



National Recreation Trail 2008

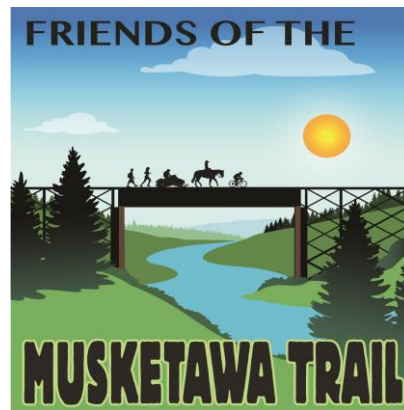
Millennium Trail 2000

MINUTES FROM:

Thursday, June 4, 2026

7:00 p.m. Ravenna Village Office

12090 Crockery Creek Dr



Meeting called to order by Tim Nink at 7:02 p.m.

Meeting Attendance: Tim Nink, Mark Fritsma, Oscar Reed, George Czinder, Diana Holovka, James Smith, Gary Dekock, and Paul Boucon

Absent: Cari Draft

Guests: Linda DeKock, Greg Sherburn (Michigan DNR) and Jill Sell (Michigan DNR)

Minutes from April 2, 2026, were reviewed, motion made to accept with revisions and passed.

Diana presented the financial report. She stated she purchased postage for this current Newsletter and for Spring/Summer Newsletter coming up this fall due to the rising cost of postage. Motion was made and passed to accept finance report.

Diana received a donation request from West Michigan Trails (WMT). After discussion and having not donated in 2025, it was suggested to send a \$250.00 donation. Motion was made and passed.

Before the meeting, board members and guests walked down to the Crockery Creek Bridge to look at the construction in progress. Jill Sell from DNR gave a progress report of the ongoing construction on the eastern portion of the trail in Ottawa County. She said the trail should be open by end of August. Crockery Creek Bridge work expected to be complete by mid-September. Mile markers were discussed with mile marker 0 beginning in Muskegon at Black Creek Road.

The Spring 2026 Muskegon/Broadway clean-up was successfully completed. It was decided to do it again in 2027. Thanks to Cari Draft, secretary, for planning and thanks to the volunteers who came out to help.

Caboose "Open House" days will be held June 6, July 18 and August 1. Gary DeKock gave a report on "Open House" days. Gary and Linda would welcome any volunteers.

Memorial for Ed Holovka was discussed. Materials were ordered but are currently "on hold". Jill stated that we are waiting for approval and a building permit will be needed along with inspections. The project cost is approximately \$5,400.00 short with the current funding.

A ribbon-cutting event) including a "pop-up" ride to be organized for completion for Phase 1 (the Ottawa County construction) after completion. Phase 2 (the Muskegon County construction) is expected to begin no earlier than 2028. Jill's expectation would be about four years out. "

The Fall 2025 /Winter 2026 Newsletter is complete. It's in the mail and a PDF has been posted to the website

Remaining Friends meetings for 2026: Thursdays (8/6 and 10/1) at 7:00 p.m. in Ravenna.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Minutes by: Oscar Reed, Director

Typed by: Diana Holovka, Treasurer

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