TOWN OF ST. GERMAIN NON-MOTORIZED TRAILS COMMITTEE Minutes of December 20, 2016 Meeting

- 1. Meeting called to order: by Anne Small at 5:30 PM
- 2. Roll Call: Jimmy Vogel, Jim Swenson, Becky Dunn, Bob Schell, Anne Small, Marion Janssen
- 3. Open Meeting Verification: agenda was posted by Anne Small by noon on December 19, 2016.
- 4. Approval of Agenda: Jim Swenson made motion to approve, Bob Schell seconded. Motion carried.
- 5. Approval of Minutes from previous meeting: Jim Swenson made motion to approve, seconded by Jimmy Vogel. Motion carried.
- 6. Citizens' Concerns: None
- 7. Bike Trail Items:
 - a. Judy Jurries from the chamber was present to pass out information about the Artic Warrior event. A signup sheet was distributed for volunteers to assist at the event on January 14, 2017.
 - b. Bike trail extension & ATV route: Dennis Dieter, Jim Swenson & Jimmy Vogel walked the fat bike trail loop. Discussion of whether to do one multi use trail on the 50' corridor or to do two single trails, one for bikes and one for atvs' with a natural buffer between. Concensus was to recommend the latter option to the town board for the safety of users and because the trail surface needs were different for both groups. Anne would produce a map of the bike and ATV trail layouts for town board approval. Anne reported that Tom Christensen will write a letter prior to the January town board meeting to the adjacent private land owners on the 50' corridor to let them know that this will be discussed at the board meeting. Jim Swenson reported that he talked to Tim Ebert and a 5' setback would be required.

Obtaining storm water runoff permits from the DNR was discussed for the new trails. Options for funding were also discussed.

c. The fat bike loop was packed by Jimmy Vogel. A discussion of whether to put signs on boards or metal posts was discussed. Motion by Anne Small to purchase two 12" stop signs and 2 arrow signs, 2nd by Bob Schell. Motion carried.

8. Awassa Trail

a. Candlelight event on the Awassa trail was discussed. Possible dates would be 1/28/17, 2/4/17 or 3/4/17, depending on whether those dates conflict with other events in the area. This would be a free event. A bonfire & hot chocolate would be served by the parking area by the School. Jim Swenson to check on porta - potty for the event, Jimmy Vogel to check with the school on approval of a bon fire, Becky Dunn to talk to David Weber on a donation of hot chocolate, cups, etc.. from Sentry Foods. Hours of the event would be 6:30 P.M. to 8:30 PM.

Next meeting will be on January 18, 2017 at 5:30 PM