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## MINUTES PUBLIC HEARING BIKE & HIKE TRAIL PHASE II: NOVEMBER 30, 2009

**Call to Order: Bike & Hike Trail Committee chairman, Mark Hiller at 5:30 P.M., called the meeting to order.** Mr. Hiller noted that this was a duly called meeting in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law. The meeting was duly posted and published.

**Board Members Present:** Peggy Nimz, Fred Radtke, Todd Wiese. There were eight other people in attendance.

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion Clyde Owens seconded Joyce Owens that the reading of the minutes of the previous committee meeting be dispensed with at this time. Approved.

**Bonestroo Representatives:** Mr. Hiller introduced Amy Plato and Nancy Hanzlik from Bonestroo. Ms. Plato explained the map for the proposed route of Phase II. The route had been planned to run along Hwy. 70, but now has been changed to partially run along Hwy. 70, but then to follow the highline right of way.

**Mr. & Mrs. Brahm:** Mr. & Mrs. Brahm were concerned about the trail in front of their home on Sunrise Lane. They were concerned about losing their buffer of trees between their home and Hwy. 70. Ms. Plato explained that according to D.O.T. standards, the trail had to be blacktopped to 10 feet wide with a two foot shoulder on each side. There were three options. The trail could run parallel to the snowmobile trail that would mean cutting most of the trees. Or, the trail could be made narrower and weave through the trees. Finally, the trail could go on the roadway of Sunrise Lane. Ms. Plato also explained that due to budget constraints, the current plan is to run the trail through the trees parallel to the snowmobile trail from the Chamber building up to Marlene Bartelt. From there to approximately the end of Sunrise Lane, it will be on the roadway. The trail will then go out to Hwy. 70 towards Thunderbird Pass. The D.O.T. is requiring a green area between the trail and the shoulder of Hwy. 70.

**Phase III:** Phase II had originally been planned to run up to Old Hwy. 70. However, it will now end in a gravel parking area near Elmers. There will not be any feeder trails for Halberstadt Road or Jackson Lane. Phase II, however, will give bikers & hikers from Birchwood Drive, Shields Road, Hug Road, Old Hwy. 70, Jackson Lane and Halberstadt Road as easier access to the trail. There is a plan for a Phase III that would extend the trail to Old Hwy. 70 and also have access trails to some of the town roads.

**Survey:** Ms. Plato explained that the surveying had been completed and that the centerline of the trail had been staked out. The bidding process will begin in January or February so that construction can begin as soon as possible in the spring. The contractor that gets the bid will lay out the trail according to the computer model from Bonestroo.

**Adjournment:** Mr. Hiller asked if there were any more questions from the floor. There were none. Motion Fred Radtke seconded Clyde Owens that the public hearing be adjourned. Meeting adjourned 6:00 P.M.

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