

Parks/Recreation Committee Meeting
November 12, 2015

Members present: Brian Longenecker, Daryl Faust, Greg Hohenwarter, Bill Musser, Vicki Eldridge, Greg Collins, Wayne Sponseller, Judy Sponseller

Brian Longenecker opened the meeting with the following comments and concerns:

- He has noticed considerable horse traffic in the Quarryville area.
- He has contacted Kara Kalupson about mowing schedules with her suggestion being having mowing done in April, late June and late September. Greg Collins said that a schedule for mowing could also be found on the Rails to Trails website. Mowing should be done in as narrow a path as possible to keep weeds from infringing on the trail surface but allowing natural growth on the sides.
- Design schools/classes are a possible source for landscaping projects for the trailhead and stone bench areas.
- There are washouts at several places to which Greg Collins responded that the worst ones may need to be looked at to see if there needs to be something done to divert the water

There were discussions about needing more and improved signage for horse traffic as well as possible scout projects.

Bill Musser asked about having a stone placed at the Sigman trailhead to prevent buggies and four wheelers access to the trail.

Bill Shaffer gave some ideas for fund raising such as selling photos of the trail and making note cards with scenes from the trail or having a flea market event after Greg Collins talked about selective harvesting of trees or having a 5K run. These suggestions were made to help fund improvements on the trail so as to not use money from the general fund.

Bill Shaffer also requested that the committee help with locating and photographing the culverts/tunnels beneath the trail so the township can develop a plan to repair or not repair them as needed.

A work detail is scheduled for Saturday, November 14 to begin marking the survey boundaries.

To close the meeting Bill Shaffer thanked Greg Collins for his work and leadership in developing the trail. All committee members agreed and thanked him as well. Brian also thanked Bill Shaffer for attending the meetings and his interest in the trail on behalf of the supervisors.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05.