

**FRIENDS OF THE CASEY JONES TRAIL ASSOCIATION
OCTOBER 19, 2017**

The Friends of the Casey Jones Trail Association convened regular session on October 19th, 2017 at 11:30 a.m. at the Slayton Pizza Ranch. Members present: Mick Myers, Deb Nelson, Amy Rucker, Judy Qualley, Ron Qualley, Christy Riley, Lori Gunnink, and Dan Wildermuth. Ex-Officio Member Glen Livermont.

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion was made by Dan, seconded by Lori and unanimously carried to approve the agenda as presented.

APPROVE MINUTES

Motion was made by Amy, seconded by Lori and unanimously carried to approve the September 20, 2017 Meeting Minutes.

TREASURER'S REPORT

No report.

OLD BUSINESS

DNR Trail Extension into Woodstock

On October 11th, Mick, Deb, Amy and Jim Jens met with Kent Skaar and Phil Nasby from DNR at Staci's Bar & Grill in Woodstock. Kent informed those present that DNR has decided to use in-house engineers to complete engineering on the next five mile segment to Woodstock. It is the intent of DNR to have the five miles to Woodstock completed in 2018 instead of 2019. DNR is asking that the Friends work on identifying the route through Woodstock. Dan stated he would talk with Dave Halbersma, Pipestone County Engineer, to see if the county would o.k. possible use of the right-of-way for a couple of blocks if necessary to make a safe crossing towards the city park. Kent also encouraged the Friends to work with landowners in the 3.5 mile gap by Lake Wilson to see if they would be willing to talk about easements on their property for the trail.

Trailhead Sign at Lake Wilson

It was the consensus of the Board to gather more information for the trailhead sign in Lake Wilson and to also talk with the City Council to gain their support.

Harvey Reder Property

The Harvey Reder property has been taken off the table for discussion since it is not feasible to purchase this piece of property since it doesn't abut the trail.

Drone Photography

Chris Hollingsworth is still working the permitting requirements.

NEW BUSINESS

Land Owner List

A land owners list was distributed that was developed by Amy to help us narrow down our route options in the 3.5 mile gap.

It was the consensus of the Board to develop a timeline in preparation for our next meeting.

NEXT MEETING

The next Association meeting will be Thursday, November 16, 2017 at 11:30 a.m. at the Slayton Pizza Ranch.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:53 p.m.

Deb Nelson
Secretary