

CCPC Minutes

09-25-2025

Members present: Bob Franzen, Jamie Reynolds, Dan McCanna, Jacob Bodway, Bob Scudder, Bob Dando, Twan Leenders, Martha Anderson, Jan Bowman

Guests: Pat Smith, Courtney Domst

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 am by Bob Franzen at the CC Airport conference room. The minutes for the August 28 meeting were reviewed and accepted as written.

Jacob gave an update on the trails. The DEC has been working with DPF and the work on the Boutwell Hill area will begin in the spring. Some areas have been remedied on the WOT where a bridge needed work. The beavers are back at Titus Rd. but the water levels at present are low due to the extended dry period we have had. The outflow is blocked (but being within 2 years of the original remediation it can be cleared without problem or permit needed. The reroute on the WOT near Sherman-Steadman Rd. was discussed. The map for the gorge loop should be up by next year. Discussion was held on having an Ecologist look at any areas for re-route prior to work commencing there.

The next Friends of the Greenway meeting will be October 1 at 6:30 pm at The Barn at Farrington Hollow. All trail groups will be present to discuss work that has/will be done.

Jamie presented the Operations report as follows: Parks remain open and seasonal employees have finished, leaving two full-time employees on duty. Pat has returned after medical leave. The sinks at Luensman are functional, 1 garbage can has been stolen. We will put out to bid a timber sale at the Ellery Landfill and Luensman park. Bridge construction will be put off until 2026 at Harris Hill and Brokenstraw. 2 bench pads have been poured at Millrace Park. The bricks at the Workers Memorial have gotten a facelift. Jamie has been in contact with the Catalano family regarding Arkwright Falls land, and options available talks are ongoing. An appraisal of the land, access to the land and nearby properties were discussed. 70% of our budget has been expensed.

Twan gave an update on the waterway cleanup: water levels are extremely low. The blockages from Falconer up have been cleared, with 1 large tree near Ross Mills still needing work. The work is continuing to clear large blockages.

Dan read a letter he gave to Jacob regarding the Mayville Rails to Trails Fincher trail area. Jacob will take it to the next Rails meeting. Dan also proposed building bluebird houses for Erlandson Park. Discussion was held on type of wood and posts, and numbers of houses and placement. Twan will be in contact with Dan and help with that.

The meeting adjourned at 11:23. The next meeting will be October 23 at 10 am at the airport conference room.