

**Friends of the Lake Vermilion Trail
Tuesday, January 19, 2021
Electronic meeting
&
February 1 through 7 electronic vote**

Meeting called to order at 3:02 pm by Chair Carol Booth.

Members present: Chair Carol Booth, Treasurer Caroline Owens, Secretary Steve Lotz, Char Conger (left at 3:30), and Nancy Salminen (joined at 3:27). Others present: Sarah Ciochetto of JPJ.

Introductions were made.

Sarah Ciochetto presented a scope of work to be done by JPJ including: locating a corridor centerline to map terrain, vegetation, rock outcrops & wetlands, Natural Heritage Inventory System (NHIS), continue with the already submitted State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) application, wetland delineation and mitigation, and land acquisition and easement work. They can also provide assistance locating the trail alignment. She looks forward to getting out into the field to view the flagged alignments. Nancy also indicated a desire to walk more of the flagged route.

There was brief discussion of contract changes. A revised contract will be sent.

The meeting adjourned at 3:50 pm.

On February 1 Carol Booth distributed a revised JPJ contract and motioned to accept that contract, second by Char Conger. Discussion followed. On February 2 Steve Lotz questioned the practicality of the May 2021 project completion date. On February 3 Nancy Salminen noted wetland delineation relied on vegetation having leaves and the ground not being frozen. Carol brought the questions to JPJ. Their reply was that this was viewed as a “soft” completion date and a new revised contract with a July 2021 completion date. On February 5 Carol amended her motion to accept the latest revision, amended second by Char, and called the question with Carol, Char, Caroline, and Bill voting aye on 2-5, Josh voting aye on 2-6, and Steve voting aye on 2-7. Motion carried. Carol will sign and return the contract.

Steven Lotz, secretary