Friends of the Lake Vermilion Trail Wednesday, June 8, 2022 Electronic meeting

Meeting was called to order at 3:04 pm by Chair Carol Booth.

Members present: Chair Carol Booth, Treasurer Caroline Owens, Secretary Steve Lotz, & Nancy Salminen.

Minutes for the May 11, 2022 meetings having been distributed previously, motion by Carol Booth, second by Caroline Owens, to approve the minutes, all aye, motion carried.

The Treasurer's report for May showed a balance of \$17,436.19. Motion by Carol, second by Nancy Salminen, to approve the Treasurer's report, all aye, motion carried. Caroline noted that she had not received a request for reimbursement for the canopy cost from Char as yet.

Carol reported that the LVRA had given her a folder of various trail items that they came across in their move out of the USFS office.

The previous TTF grant is closed out. There is new funding available. Carol again suggested a kiosk design and asked for other suggestions.

Steve met with Sarah Ciochetto now of the Mesabi Trail at the Tower industrial park on May 23. They walked a possible route for the Mesabi Trail into Tower from the south. The Lake Vermilion Trail could then utilize a portion of this route into Tower. Carol will follow up with Sarah next week. She will also make contact with KGM sometime in June.

Carol will set up a meeting with Peder Larson. He has suggested that he perform pro-bono work for the LVT.

Char, Tim Johnson, & Carol met with Rob Ecklund on June 3. He suggested we pursue LCCMR funding for engineering work and a detailed cost analysis for a legacy application. Discussion also covered the IRRR, utilizing the Mesabi director, and North Span as a possible funding source.

Events

Cook's Timber Days – no one was available for the event.

P&TC scavenger hunt - Ely Bike & Kick Sled's gift card will be sent to P&TC.

Carol will contact Bill Tibbets about helping with the west segment route.

Natural Harvest application – Bill will make application.

Next meeting is set for July 13 at 3:00 pm and will be conducted electronically. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:45 pm.

Steven Lotz, secretary