Shabbona Pathway Committee Minutes

08/12/23 Regular Meeting

The Regular Meeting of the Shabbona Pathway Committee was called to order on Saturday, August 12, 2023 at 8:00 A.M. at the Chief Shabbona Forest Preserve in Shabbona IL. The following committee members/advisors were present:

Title	Name	Present	Not	Title	Name	Present	Not	
			Present				Present	
Village	Mark	\square		Marketing	Dan	\boxtimes		
	Cinnamon				Nolan	\square		
Forest	Josh Clark		\boxtimes	Planning	Curt	\boxtimes		
Preserve			\square		Herrmann	\square		
School	Josh	\boxtimes		Residents	Jen	\boxtimes		
District	Merchant				Morrison	\square		
Township	Jim	\boxtimes		Finance	Wendy	\boxtimes		
_	Johnson				Schnorr			
Fire	Matt	\boxtimes						
Dept.	Hinkston							

Others: Geoff Cooker, Don Goncher. Allison Kidd Probst-absent.

Additions to agenda: none

Public Comment: Geoff Cooker will either alternate for Mark representing the Village or take over as representative.

Approval of minutes from the July 8, 2023, meeting: Curt Herrmann motioned to approve the minutes, Mark Cinnamon seconded. All in favor-aye, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Jim Johnson provided the treasurer's report for review. Mark Cinnamon motioned to accept the treasurer's report, Josh Merchant seconded. All in favor aye, motion carried.

Bills: currently no bills.

Grants Report: Jim Johnson has made contact with IDOT District 3. He found out what the concerns are and what we need to do. Jim is meeting with Fehr Graham next week, he got Township board approval to do Phase I Engineering. Phase I Engineering is for the whole project: engineering of path layout and drawings. Once entire project is engineered, a committee in Springfield will review and once are it passes review then it is done for the entire pathway. Oversight of project then switches from Springfield to IDOT District 3. Dan said there has been movement from Village side as well. Mark and Don met with Brian Gregory and Nathan Schwartz and discussed the section of pathway that needs to go from High School to Preserve Road and talked about section of sidewalk to be installed by the County. Jim said IDOT representative said that it has to be permanent and cannot be temporary. Once Phase I Engineering is done then can revisit the 280' section that is the hold up. Phase I Engineering is what we want to do, Phase II Engineering finalizes what will actually be done. Mark said that through the conversation with Brian and Nathan and then with Jason Stoll and Noah Carmichael of Fehr Graham, Noah said that Phase I Engineering needs to be done and approved in order to even move forward. Dan Nolan said that the Village's assistance with DeKalb County is appreciated. Mark said that during the conversation with Brian Gregory it was indicated that there are some funds that may be available to do sidewalks along Shabbona Road regardless. Jim asked for update from Fehr Graham on engineering costs since last estimate was a couple of years ago and requested survey assistance for legal descriptions in order to file for federal flexible match applications. ITEP Grant of \$440,000 and Pathway match of \$110,000 – project is \$550,000. Jim thinks if he gets federal flexible match, it will help lower the ITEP Grant match funds. Jen asked about timeline for Phase I engineering, Jim will know more after he meets with Fehr Graham next week. Jen asked if hope is to have out to bid next year and construction starting at some point in 2024, probably summer 2024 bid-letting. School temporary driveway will be there at least a couple of years. Josh said that school district is looking into Safe Passage For Schools grant.

NICE Center Walk will be on Saturday 9/16/23: No health fair this year, just NICE Center walk. Pathway will host again. NICE walk registration is usually by 10am and kick off for walk is 10:30am.

Adjourned at 8:29am. Mark Cinnamon motioned to adjourn, Josh Merchant seconded. Next pathway meeting is September 9, 2023, at the Chief Shabbona Forest Preserve

Meeting Minutes of the Ad Hoc Committee submitted by Jen Morrison on behalf of Allison Kidd Probst, Secretary

/s/______,