HHNP Meeting Draft Minutes 10/10/2016

Attendees: Newt Coryell, Roland Roberge, Deb Huffman, Lynn Wenz, Cindy Glenn, Don Laliberty, Peter Mikolajcuk, Tim Adams and Sharon Hickey

Guests: Gage Perry, Blake Bormuth

- 1. Newt reports he conducted the final mowing of the parking lot perimeter.
- There is a proposal to cut a new trail to go over Horse Hill. On Wed 10/12, MCC will walk the proposed trail to determine the cause and severity of the erosion which has been reported. Depending on their findings, they may finalize the course that the new trail will take.
- 3. Eagle Scout, Blake Bormuth, presented his Eagle Scout project, which is to clean up the site of the Spaulding foundation. Blake will do more work and will be able to define the following:
 - a. Material to be used for a historic plague to be mounted at the site.
 - b. The verbiage to be used on the plaque
 - c. Where the plaque will be mounted.
 - d. Blake plans to construct a fence around the site of the foundation, and has asked the HHNP for guidance to delineate the fence line.
 - e. Blake will also determine the material to be used on the fence and the style of fence he plans to construct.
 - f. Peter has offered to connect with Blake for the purpose to walk the site to identify native vegetation, define the site perimeter and mark the fence line.
- 4. Tree trimming has been approved by MCC. The MCC will bear the approx. \$600.00 cost.
- 5. Election of officers.
 - a. After many years of dedicated service, Roland Roberge has stepped down as HHNP cochair. Cindy Glenn made a motion to accept Roland's resignation, and nominated Peter Mikolajcuk to serve as co-chair to replace Roland. The motion was seconded by Deb Huffman. The motion was approved with 8 yes, 0 no and 0 abstain.
 - b. The resignation of Amanda Yonkin was accepted. Sharon Hickey has agreed to fill the vacant position on the board to fulfill Amanda's original term to 7/31/2017. This creates 1 alternate position which the board will seek to fill.
- 6. Comments/Discussion
 - a. Discontinued trails show signs of use. This action prohibited.
 - b. There have several instances of unauthorized cutting of trails. Also strictly prohibited.
 - c. HHNP has requested that the MCC provide guidance, implement policies and create new signage to deter these unauthorized and prohibited activities.
 - d. Dog waste continues to be a challenge in that some dog owners do not adhere to the request to clean up your dog's waste. There has been no resolution to this on-going problem.
 - e. New yield signs were recommended by Don Laliberty so that all trail users will be aware and will adhere to standard yield etiquette and to understand who has the right of way

between walkers, horses and bikers. Peter will work with Matt Caron of the MCC to obtain and post new yield signs.

- f. NEMBA to plan a Charity Ride on the HHNP. What constitutes an "event", and what is the process of approval for those parties wanting to plan future events on the preserve?
- Meeting minutes of 9/10/2016 were accepted and approved by a motion from Tim Adams and a 2nd by Roland Roberge.
- 8. Newt Coryell will post a schedule of meetings to be held in 2017.
- 9. Meeting was adjourned at 9:00PM.

