



MEETING NOTES - COMMUNITY MEETING NO. 2

Re: Multi-Use Trail
Lake Shore, Minnesota

Date of Meeting: August 2, 2012

Project Manager: Matthew J. Reid, PE

Time of Meeting: 6:30 pm

SEH No.: LKSHO 119465

Location of Meeting: Lake Shore City Hall

Attendees: T77T Members
Mayor John Terwilliger
Lake Shore Citizens
Matt Reid – SEH
Greg Kimman – SEH
Heidi Peper – SEH

The following items were discussed at the above referenced meeting:

- I. Steve Sundstrom, Teri Hastings, John Poston, Matt Reid, and Heidi Peper presented information to the group.
- II. Comments/Questions from Large Q/A Session (names/spellings and addresses are noted as closely as possible).
 - A. Jan Moe (1442 Rocky Point Road)
 1. What will happen to the integrity of CSAH 77? Trees will be removed, bluff cut down, wetland disturbed, impervious surface created.
 2. Safety? No deaths or injuries on CSAH 77. No empirical data warranting safety concerns.
 3. Widen the shoulders as opposed to constructing a trail.
 4. Need to know how much the project will cost the Lake Shore citizens.
 - B. Joe Re
 1. Does the City or governmental entity have the right to force this on their property?
 - a. Neal Gaalswyk responded that the County's position on eminent domain would "likely" be that no funds would be provided if this were to occur.
 - b. Matt Reid responded that although he's not an attorney, he felt that it would be extremely difficult, if not impossible, to utilize eminent domain to force an easement. He also commented that the T77T and the City are not intending to use that method of land procurement.
 - C. Bob Nemeth
 1. West shoulder just south of City Hall is quite narrow.
 2. Better utilize caution or stop signs at each driveway intersection.
 - D. Don McFarland
 1. Paul Bunyan Trail is 5 minutes from here. Why not just use that?
 - E. Vince
 1. What happens when the small property owner who needs room for 2 sewer systems gives up his property for the trail?
 2. What do you do when there is no snow to keep people from falling on the ice?
 - F. Kris Driessen

1. About a year ago I was almost hit by a car. I see hundreds of people walking and biking on the weekends.
- G. Earl North
1. There are a vast number of parcels that need to give approval to make the trail happen (referring to the backlot alternative). If we are talking about non-referendum funding some serious talks about what happens if not everyone approves are needed.
- H. Terry Frovick
1. I believe there is a need. Mostly east of Bar Harbor. Yes to a trail, but not in my back yard.
- I. Gary Ogren
1. I'll walk on Nottingham but not on CSAH 77. Maybe consider using Nottingham for the trail.
- J. Joy Pomeroy
1. Avid cyclist. Terrified of CSAH 77. I like the 3-foot shoulder on both sides.
- K. Patti
1. I think the reason for the no shoulder is because the local residents didn't want a wide road in the first place.
- L. John Allen
1. I'm not terrified of most things, but I'm terrified of this road. I live in Lake of the Isles and have never had a problem with a trail. I applaud the Council's effort. It will increase property values.
 2. Keep it in the CSAH 77 right-of-way, but can get an easement from my properties if needs be.
- M. Jim Moe
1. The facts on safety are that the bike trails are 2:1 more hazardous than roads.
 2. We need to look at widening the street and dropping the speed limit 5 miles per hour.
- N. Christa Knutson
1. I take my kids out for a walk and there is no place to go right now.
 2. Maybe we don't have accidents because people aren't using CSAH 77 because it is so dangerous.
- O. John Allen
1. To test Jim's argument. We've had one accident on the Paul Bunyan Trail and one on Lake of the Isles. That seems pretty safe to me.
- P. Kary Huso Eliason
1. I do not use that stretch because of that reason. This stretch petrifies me. There are many ways to find solutions.
- Q. Todd Peterson
1. I have bikes hanging in my garage because I will not use CSAH 77 to bike. Why in the back yards though? I'm in favor in the front of my house, but not in the back.
- R. Mike Kurilla
1. I use to bike on this road, but don't now. I have a 10-year old daughter that I won't let bike on that road. I'm in favor of it in front of my property, but not in back. Leave people's property alone.
- S. Julie Ingleman
1. We need change.
- T. Jesse Berg
1. I have one of the closest homes to CSAH 77. I don't want to lose my back yard, at least take it off the front.
- U. Crowther
1. To people who say use the Paul Bunyan Trail and we don't need others, look at the Loose Line Trail where more people use the other trails than that one.
- V. Arlene Bush
1. Don't want to disturb trees. No trail in the back yard.

- W. Shawn Hanson
 - 1. Nisswa Chamber has no intention of building a trail. The Chamber is separate from the City of Nisswa and they will ultimately make the decision.
 - 2. I lived in Lake Shore. My kids were not allowed to bike on CSAH 77.
 - 3. Paul Bunyan Trail is a huge draw for tourists. The Lake Shore Trail could bring tourists to all the local businesses.
 - 4. Ask property owners in Baxter along Knollwood their opinions of trails now that it's there.
- X. Max Bush
 - 1. I'm in favor of a trail, just not on private property.
- Y. Joe Koob
 - 1. How much money has the City put into this so far?
 - 2. How much cost per foot?
 - 3. Why not keep bikers somewhere safer?
 - 4. Why not charge the users to pay for the trail maintenance like the State does w/ parks?
 - 5. If it's safety, widen the shoulder.
- Z. Joyce
 - 1. Who decides final alignment because I don't agree with it going through my back yard.
- AA. ??
 - 1. I do agree we need something, but not down my driveway and back yard.
- BB. Larry Anderson
 - 1. I meet a lot of my neighbors walking. All real estate listings indicate Paul Bunyan Trail as an asset. We benefit from tourists. I own several back lots I thought it would be quaint having a trail in my back yard, but it sounds like it won't happen.

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