



KENORA URBAN TRAILS COMMITTEE
Agenda
Meeting – Tuesday September 15th, 2015
8:00 a.m. – Operations Boardroom

ATTENDANCE
CALL TO ORDER
DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

ADOPTION OF MINUTES
 June 2nd, 2015

REVIEW OF DUTY ROSTER

Monthly review of duty roster:

Action Item	Committee Member	Deadline
Send Friend of Trails Maintenance Guide to Committee Members	Melissa Shaw	ASAP
Approach the School board about placing the trail head on school property	Chris Penner	ASAP
Naming rights of the trail	Chris Penner	ASAP
Organize Friends of the Trails Meet and Greet Barb Manson to confirm the route of the Great Lake of the Woods Trail including renaming, and removing of old signage etc.	Committee	Sept, 2015
Jennifer Findlay to confirm if the Trans Canada Trail has been decommissioned?	Sharon Smith	ASAP
Send Letter from MNR to City Officials for approval	Melissa Shaw, Steve Mastromatteo	ASAP
Ask John Nabb/ Krishanth Koralalage about Rabbit Lake Historical Signs and installation	Melissa Shaw	ASAP
Trail Inventory- Fall 2015	Ren Amell	Oct, 2015

ADMINISTRATION:

- Adopt Five Year Plan – 2015 – 2019
- 2015 Budget Deliberations

Committee
 Sharon Smith

TRAIL DEVELOPMENT/MAINTENANCE:

- Rabbit Lake Clean-up- Steve Mastromatteo
- Beaver Brae Trail Update
- Trail Infrastructure Inventory- Replacement needed for Ren Amell
- Rabbit Lake Trail Expansion- Committee Member needed to spearhead this task, join force with the Rowing Club and pursue funding options, particularly with the 2017 Canada Summer Games
- Provincial Government Cycling investment
 - \$25-million investment over three years to create a more Cycling-friendly Ontario. Application submitted on August 5th, 2015 announcements to be made this fall.

SIGNAGE:

- Historical Signage Rabbit Lake

NEW BUSINESS:

- 2017 Canada Summer Games
 - Announcement attached
- "Take a Hike Campaign"
 - The landing page for the site is www.stayinkenora.com
- Trail Inventory
 - Summer Student GIS Story Map
<http://www.arcgis.com/apps/MapTour/?appid=ec6deacee7d24a08991d8153b6d7dfca>
 - Summer Student Trail recommendations (attached)
- Norman Park Concept Plan- In-person consultations September 8th, 2015
 - Scatliff + Miller + Murray- concept Plans for Norman Park and the Kenora Rotary Splashpad + the 5 year Kenora urban trails plan + the concept plan for Keewatin Beach
- Accessible walkway, Norman Park
 - funding to complete an Accessible Trail between the Lake of the Woods Discovery Centre and Norman Park
- Trans Canada Trail project, Jim Cameron, TCT Consultant
 - July 30th provided Jim with a overview of the Kenova Urban Trails and the land touch points to the Path of the Paddle project at Anicinabe Park, Lake of the Woods Discovery Centre and the Keewatin Boat ramp into the Winnipeg River
 - Possibilities for connecting their vision for a connector trail – the Great Lake of the Woods Trail- with the Trans Canada Trail.
- Road Safety- Bill 31, effective September 1st rules of the road changed (Attached)

NEXT MEETING:



Learn More about Kenora's Involvement in the 2017 Canada Summer Games!

The City of Kenora will be one of the host cities for the 2017 Canada Summer Games, with Rowing being held at Rabbit Lake from July 28 - August 5, 2017.

Held every two years, alternating between summer and winter, the Canada Games are our country's largest multi-sport event for young athletes and are a key event in the development of our next generation of national, international and Olympic champions.

Wednesday, September 16th, 2015

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**Lake of the Woods Discovery Centre, 900 Lakeview Drive
Kenora, Ontario**

Agenda will include:

- ◆ Welcome and Introductions
Mayor David S. Canfield, City of Kenora
- ◆ 2017 Canada Summer Games Presentation
2017 Host Society Co-Chair Hubert Mesman
and CEO Jeff Hnatiuk
- ◆ Question & Answer Period



Bill 31

Effective September 1st rules of the road changed

Cycling

The safety of all road users is paramount and that includes cyclists. These cycling changes are directed at encouraging cycling, promoting road safety, and sharing the road.

New measures to better protect cyclists include:

Changes directed at drivers:

- “Dooring” or a “door prize” commonly refers to someone who opens a parked motor vehicle door into the path of a cyclist or other traffic.
- Higher set fine of \$365 (includes victim fine surcharge and court fees) + three (3) demerit points; drivers who choose to contest the charge could be subject to a fine up to \$1,000 + three demerit points, upon conviction.
- Drivers must keep a one-metre (3 feet) distance when passing cyclists.
- Set fine of \$110 (includes victim fine surcharge and court fees)

Changes directed at cyclists:

- Cyclists must have proper lights, reflective materials and reflectors on their bicycles (and that includes e-bikes) and motor-assisted bicycle (mopeds). [HTA s62\(17\)](#) says:

When on a highway at any time from one-half hour before sunset to one-half hour after sunrise and at any other time when, due to insufficient light or unfavourable atmospheric conditions, persons and vehicles on the highway are not clearly discernible at a distance of 150 metres or less, every motor-assisted bicycle and bicycle (other than a unicycle) shall carry a lighted lamp displaying a white or amber light on its front and a lighted lamp displaying a red light or a reflector on its rear, and in addition white reflective material shall be placed on its **front forks**, and red reflective material covering a surface of not less than 250 millimetres in length and 25 millimetres in width shall be placed **on its rear**.

Student inventory of Trail recommendation:

Here are a few things that Ryan and I noticed that we think should be fixed or added:

Mink Bay

- Maintenance throughout entire trail (overgrown grass).
- Additional signs to draw attention to hidden trails such as Hilltop.
- Hilltop path was not visible. Should be groomed with signage added.
- Guidance throughout the city portion of Keewatin.

Rabbit Lake

- Needs more guidance throughout unpaved section of trails.
- "You are here" signs would be extremely helpful because they're so many feeder trails.
- More indication of which trails are part of the urban trail (multiple feeder trails).
- We noticed a lot of unpicked blueberries and raspberries throughout the trail. Could be useful to advertise this for tourist.

Tunnel Island

- A large visible sign should be placed at the entrance along Lakeview Drive since the turn off is hidden, Ex. "Tunnel Island trails left in 100m".
- More "you are here" signs with distances marked.
- First lookout located on the North side of the train bridge should have a larger sign. It is a beautiful trail with a spectacular view of the City at the end of the trail but isn't properly marked. People were camping on this trail which might be a concern.

Rat Portage

- Grass overgrown on brick pathway along the harbour front by Husky the Muskie should be maintained.
- Can be difficult to follow the trail throughout the City of Kenora since signs don't point in a direction. Guidance signs would be helpful.
- A "Mens" sign should be placed on the washroom door at McLeod Park. There is already a female sign.

Another suggestion would be to add informational signs on dangerous plants or wildlife at the entrance of the trails. For example, Poison Ivy and Cow Parsnips should be mentioned on the Mink Bay trail. Animal information could also be added to these signs, indicating potential risks and concerns/fun facts for interests sake, (ex. Don't approach a bear cub or fawn due to the protective nature of mothers) If the trails committee is interested in doing this, Ryan and I can come up with a list of useful signs for each trail.

Thanks!
Maddie Trudeau

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