

Marquette Township Recreation Committee

Work Session

Tuesday, January 23, 2019 – 5:30 p.m.
Marquette Township Community Center

Meeting Called to Order @ 5:30 pm

**Attending: Connor Loftus, Pete LaRue, Dave Wiegand, Todd Carruth,
Mike Springer**

**Staff: Jason McCarthy, Planner and Zoning Administrator,
Izaak Peterson, Staff Planner**

Public: none

Update recreational motorized/non-motorized trail plans and Complete Streets plans for both the Transportation Plan and the Recreation Plan.

Springer explained his edits on 'Map 01' NATURAL, CULTURAL & SCENIC RESOURCES PLANNING MAP.

- Show Harrison Road/Little Garlic Road from CR 550 to Little Garlic Falls
- Show western boundary of the township
- Highlight Wilderness Access
- Identify Section 21 with Moose Pond
- Consider an additional insert of the recreational areas north of Wright Street
- Identify Harlow Lake Trails
- Consider illustrating both State Land and Forest Recreation Properties as a background
- Forestville Kiln Site - Private Land (as is Harkin Overlook)
- Consider blue lines designating CR 492 and CR 550 as future Complete Streets and or scenic drives
- Move Schwemwood Park/IOHT text box as not to cover US 41
- IOHT should be designated in same color green as Schwemwood Park is
- Consider the use of more colors

McCarthy indicated that CR 550 may all ready be a Complete Street according to State Standards. Brookton Road was noted as having limitations making it hazardous for pedestrian use. McCarthy encourage to add this as a future Complete Street.

LaRue inquired about past discussions on a trail behind the motels on the south side of US41. LaRue would like to see snowmobile access to those motels. Springer would like a 'Motorized Recreation' layer showing current and future snowmobile access. Peterson believes that this map should be in the Recreation Plan. McCarthy would like to see all trails in one color.

Springer made a few suggestions on 'Map 02' NATURAL, SCENIC & CULTURAL RESOURCES - URBAN CORRIDOR.

- Consider the IOHT a linear park and color it green
- Concerned about identifying places that are on Private Property

The Committee discussed 'Map 03' NON-MOTORIZED TRAILS PLANNING MAP.

- Identify the active Railroad in a different color
- Proposed Complete Street from Commerce to Woodridge through Cedarville via Center Street

The Committee suggested adding a future Complete Street, Ryans Alley from Center Street to Moran Street.

Springer noted his suggestions on 'Map 04' COMPLETE STREETS - URBAN CORRIDOR

- Use a different color for Non-Motorized
- Yellow/gold was used to show IOHT and proposed future Non-Motorized trails from the IOHT to US 41 and north to the Dead River
- View Undeveloped ROWs Map for Trowbridge

McCarthy also provided a 'Map 05' UNDEVELOPED RIGHT OF WAYS - TROWBRIDGE PARK

McCarthy suggested adding current and proposed Complete Streets and Non-Motorized for future connectivity.

Peterson would like to tie in undeveloped right of ways between Wright and Werner Streets. Ryan's Alley, Granite Street and Cox were discussed as north/south routes to assist with getting people off the highway. Erickson, Ontario to Bancroft, Woodridge from Fair to Werner were discussed and planned for future Complete Streets.

LaRue suggested taking Norwood all the way to Granite. Wiegand suggested taking Woodridge south all the way through to Werner and down to Bancroft. Also bring Moran across to Woodridge. Further, take Ryan's Alley to tie Center and Moran Streets together.

McCarthy suggested evaluating Complete Street priorities by using a method similar to what the Road Committee used in evaluating roads based on i.e. Bus routes, Complete Streets etc. He sees the Woodridge route as having the biggest potential overall.

LaRue would like to see Cox extended north from Summit to Center.

Peterson plans to make three maps. Natural, Cultural & Scenic Resources Planning with suggested changes. Any non-motorized trail along a road will be identified on just the Complete Streets Map. Ancillary Non-Motorized trails will be shown in a different color.

Carruth inquired about where the various maps will be placed. McCarthy indicated the Master Plan, Recreation Plan and the Transportation will all be effected by the different maps we worked on today.

Review names and pictures of volunteers at Lions Recreation Area and Schwemwood Park for the purpose of signage at both locations.

Springer will provide an Excel Spreadsheet with the names of the Volunteers and Donors of the Warming Building. McCarthy plans to put together a story board concept on the Warming Building from conception to completion.

Work Session ended at 6:13 pm

**Next Scheduled Meeting is Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at 5:30 PM
Respectfully submitted by Springer and Wiegand*