Minutes

Membership: Rod Bartlow, William Hauda, Dana Johnson, Anne Murphy, Joel Patenaude, Debbie Peterson, David Phillips, Geoffrey Snudden, Blake Theisen, Ned Zuelsdorff

Attendance: All members were present (Blake Theisen left at 12:30p); Jill Mrotek Glenzinski, representing the Department of Transportation; and Brigit Brown representing the Department of Natural Resources.

1. Welcome
Wisconsin DNR/Brigit Brown welcomed council members and thanked them for their service.

2. Introductions
Members introduced themselves, affirmed who they are officially representing (and the other relevant experience/activities in which they participate), and stated their personal goals for the council.
Member goals for the council include:
- Access, opportunities (multiple mentions)
- Finding common goals (multiple mentions)
- Bridging gaps
- Transportation options
- Tourism
- Year around recreation
- Connectivity (multiple mentions)
- Funding (multiple mentions)

3. Background/History/Authority of Council
Discussion of Legislative Council Special Committee on Enhancing Recreational Trails for Nonmotorized Use, the resulting 2009 Act 394, and subsequent statutes (ss. 15.347 (20) and 23.177, Wis. Stats.)

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4. Officer Nominations
Dave Phillips nominated Dana Johnson as chair and Joel Patenaude as vice chair. Nominees accepted. Slate moved by Deb Peterson, seconded by Anne Murphy. Passed unanimously.

5. Council Purpose and Objectives
The council agreed on the following.

*Vision*: A sufficiently funded, planned, developed, maintained, and promoted system of nonmotorized trails.

*Mission* (how to achieve the vision):
It is the mission of the NRTTC to
- Secure funding that is sufficient, sustainable, dedicated, and maintained in a segregated account.
- Nurture user groups through intergroup and intragroup cooperation and coordination.
- To support user groups in their cooperation and coordination.
- Educate peers, the general public, and government on nonmotorized trails and related topics.
- Facilitate nonmotorized trail connectivity and continuity to foster greater use for recreation and transportation.
- Promote the economic benefits of nonmotorized trails.
- Promote the health and wellness benefits of nonmotorized trails.
- Promote the environmental benefits of nonmotorized trails.

*Points of Culture* (what council members strive to do while operating / in council operations):
- No committees without actionable items
- Explore funding options
- Identify user groups, work to ensure complete representation (tribal lands, mobility, diversity, urban/dirt)
- Use Roberts Rules of Order
- Be respectful of time
- No talking over each other
- Be respectful of pre-set agenda
- Leave meetings with actionable items and assigned duties with set deadlines
- Come to meetings prepared
6. **Officer Elections (chair, vice chair)**  
Dana Johnson is chair, Joel Patenaude is vice-chair.

7. **Creation of Working Committees** (*chair*)  
a. **Bylaws** (Dave*, Jill, Brigit)  
Draft by November meeting, to include:  
- Officer elections and calendar setting occur at Sept meeting  
- Officers elected annually  
- Officer position descriptions

b. **Funding** (Bill*, Deb, Rod, Ned, Dave)  
Gather examples and ideas, present at November meeting.

c. **Outreach** (Joel*, Anne, Dana, Geoff)  
Identify local/statewide groups; gather contact info for each – by November meeting.

d. **Education** (Blake*, Geoff, Ned)  
Gather information specific to economic impact, present at November meeting.

8. **Upcoming Meetings**  
Motion by Dave Phillips to hold quarterly meetings, two in person and two remotely (method to be determined – members will investigate options). Seconded by Blake Theisen. Motion passed.

Meeting schedule: November 15, 2012 (remote); March 14, 2013 (Schmeeckle); June 20, 2013 (remote), September 18, 2013 (Schmeeckle). Moved, passed.

9. **Review**  
Review of commitments and action items.

10. **Adjourn**