Two Harbors Trees and Trails Commission
Meeting Notice
April 28, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m.

The Trees and Trails Commission will meet on Thursday, April 28, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

Any or all members of the Trees and Trails Commission may potentially attend such meeting by Zoom Video Conference or in person.

Additionally, the presence of the public at the regular meeting location is not feasible due to the COVID-19 health pandemic/emergency declaration, pursuant to Minn. Stat. Section 13D.021, subd. 1(3).

Jennifer Sterbenz is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Trees and Trails
Time: Apr 28, 2022 06:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

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Two Harbors Trees and Trails Commission
Agenda
April 21, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order

2. Approval of Agenda

3. Approval of March 17, 2022 Minutes

4. Public Discussion
   a. Public comment on any item not otherwise listed on the agenda

5. Commission Business
   a. Hwy 61 Project (Trails/Trailhead)
   b. Fat Tire Bike Trail
   c. EAB – Commissioner Passe
   d. Arbor Day
   e. Odegard Trail (Update)

   a. Staff and Commission Member Reports
      a. Staff Report
      b. Commission Member Reports

   b. Adjourn

Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for

May 19, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. @ City Hall
Trees and Trails Commission – Thursday, March 17, 2022

Present: Hogfeldt, Passe, Rennwald, Hukriede, Dover, Frericks, Udenberg
Absent: None
Other: Sterbenz, Gilbert

Hogfeldt called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Motion to approve the agenda made by Dover supported by Rennwald. Motion approved by all members present and voting.

Motion to approve the March 3, 2022 minutes made by Frericks supported by Hukriede. Motion approved by all members present and voting.

Public Discussion – Dan Cruikshank presented an idea that he’d like to explore - a fat tire bike/mountain bike trail. It would start near Spokengear and continue to the Bigfoot Trails. Dan would groom it in the winter – voluntarily. Dan is willing to speak to the private land owners in which the trail would potentially impact. Sterbenz to meet with Cruikshank to discuss further.

1. Commission Business
   a. Arbor Day Celebration (April 29th)
      Sterbenz contacted Superintendent Belcastro about a joint project at the Minnehaha and the Two Harbors High School. Hogfeldt to speak to the rotary club about the area at the high school with the benches. There will be no expense to the school.
   b. Odegard Park Trail
      Railroad is willing to enter into a license agreement with the City of Two Harbors for use of the RR property for the trail. Sterbenz to speak with RR about utilizing this agreement for the property necessary for the fat tire bike trail. Project to be done in conjunction with Lake County project after Tall Ships Festival.
   c. Hwy 61 Project
      Sterbenz updated the Commission on this project.
   d. Battaglia Trail
      Public Works Superintendent Gilbert discussed the “Battaglia Trail” and the work that would be involved to complete this. This would ultimately be a job that needs to be contracted out. Ongoing discussion.
   e. Gravel Trail (Bus Garage)
      There is an existing foot path (200-300ft) that has become a safety hazard. Campground roadway to lift station. Public Works is going to lay some class five and level the ground.
2. **Staff and Commission Member Reports**

   a. **Staff Reports** – Sterbenz really wants the Commission to focus on the Hwy 61 project and incorporating a snowmobile/ATV trail.

   b. **Commissioner Reports**

      Councilor Rennwald reported that the MS Tram Bike Ride is coming thru Two Harbors on July 21st. The group is requesting that the City permit them to camp overnight (old softball fields or Lakeview Park). Estimated to have 150 people. Arena may be needed in the event of rain and to lock bikes up.

      Commissioner Udenberg gave a presentation on signage. She has been participating in a project via her BUSH Foundation fellowship role to create outdoor trail experiences friendly for people with limited mobility. Commission will incorporate this project into the 2023 work plan.

      Commissioner Hukreide reported that the Earth Day event (clean up) will be held on April 23, 2022 from 10-12 starting at Castle Danger Brewery. This is a joint project with Granite Gear, LCSWCD, Castle Danger, and the Rotary Club. The City will provide garbage bags and gloves for the volunteers.

      Commissioner Passe would like to see the new connection along 8th street continue to Castle Danger as the trails plan intended to. Need to work with existing property owners for easements.

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**There being no more business, a motion to adjourn was made by Passe and supported by Frericks. Motion approved by all present and voting.**

Adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Recorded and submitted by Jennifer A Sterbenz, Community Development Planner.
EAB infested tree locations in Two Harbors

Osthus, Jonathan (MDA) <jonathan.osthus@state.mn.us>
Thu 4/28/2022 2:06 PM
To: Jim Gilbert <jgilbert@twoharborsmn.gov>
Cc: Jennifer A Sterbenz <jsterbenz@twoharborsmn.gov>

Hi Jim,

Here is an update on infested tree locations in the city of Two Harbors. A handful of trees have been identified throughout the city. [EAB Interactive Map](https://outlook.office.com/mail/inbox/id/AAQkAGZlM2Y0Yjc1LWY1ZjtNGjJiM1N2I0LTZjZDM0ODA4ZTU1ZgAPrdKMdPjJ3LeO0akxe8%3D)

Area 1: Several visibly infested trees are located along 61 when entering town. I’m unsure if it is city property or not.

Area 2: Two boulevard trees show visible signs of infestation at 202 South Ave and 214 1st Ave

Area 3: Burlington Bay Campground has several infested ash trees
Area 4: Infested ash tree in a resident's yard across from the First Baptist Church parking lot. 703 14th Ave

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,
Jonathan

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