

# Osawatomie Trails Task Force

**August 7, 2019**

Osawatomie Trails Task Force met at 5:00 pm on August 7, 2019, in the conference room at Osawatomie City Hall. Members present were Jeff Dorsett, Mark Fuchs, Hitomi Lamirande, and George Pretz. Also present was scribe Karen LaDuex.

Due to no quorum being present in either May, June or August, minutes of the April 3 have not been officially approved. For the same reason the members present were unable to consider any business of the task force in an official manner. Therefore what ensued was an informal discussion.

Beginning with **Acquisitions/Property**, committee member Doug Walker reported that clearing of both the city property and the Ross property has been completed and that all trees needing to be removed have been marked. Walker explained that the trail will have a maximum five percent grade and will be 10 feet wide. It will consist of six inches of base topped with three inches of limestone. A memo of understanding has been agreed upon by the task force, the city and Hall's Bobcat Service. It designates what work has been ordered and how it will be completed. The memo stipulates that, if problems occur during construction, the task force will bear the costs of any change orders issued. Hall's will be paid on an hourly basis with work scheduled to commence on Monday, August 12, and to proceed, weather and ground conditions permitting, until completion. The task force will have the responsibility of approving Hall's invoices and submitting them to the city for payment. Phase 1 will begin on the east with the trailhead and proceed to the west side of the drainage ditch. Phase 2 will run from the west side of the drainage ditch through the school property. Phase 3 will encompass the Ross property. Walker noted that Baldrige Construction will provide the permit for a silt fence, designating its location and material content. Permission to burn on site has been granted.

Next **Finance/Fundraising** was considered. Osawatomie Trails Task has a balance of \$172,166. We are short only \$31,000 of our estimated costs of property acquisition and construction. Jeff Dorsett contacted Miami County Medical Center agreed to donate but has not committed to an amount. First Option Bank has agree to donate \$15,000 now and follow with an additional \$10,000 donation in January. Dorsett has scheduled a meeting with the three Edward Jones financial advisors in Miami County

<b>Expenditures</b>	Hall's Bobcat Service	\$ 4,600.50
		15,720.80
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$20, 321.30</b>

It was reported that **Promotion/Communications** have printed brochures explaining the project and soliciting donations. Walker and Walmann made a presentation on our project in Topeka to the Governor's Commission on Travel and Tourism.

The meeting was adjourned with no action taken.

**Next meeting: 5:00 pm, Wednesday, September 4, 2019**  
**Osawatomie City Hall Conference Room**