



**Old Mission Peninsula Scenic Heritage Route
Committee
Tuesday, January 24th, 2017, 9am- 11 am
Peninsula Township Office**

MINUTES

Members Present

Donna Hornberger
Marylin Elliott
Nancy Heller
Garrett Dawe
Ann Swaney
Jim Sullivan
Patty O'Donnell
Gordon Hayward
Dustin Christiansen

Staff Present

Tad Erickson

I. Welcome and Introductions

Members present introduced themselves and the organizations they represent.

II. Adoption of Minutes (September 27th, 2016)

The September 2016 meeting minutes were adopted as presented.

III. Towards Zero Death – Garrett Dawe (MDOT)

Garrett Dawe provided a highly interesting and very informative presentation on the Towards Zero Deaths (TZD) initiative.

IV. Correspondence

a. MDOT TODS Response Letter

A response letter received from Mark Bott (MDOT) regarding the non-compliant TODS inventory that the committee submitted in 2016.

V. Old Business

a. Preserving Scenic Views along M-37.

b. Vinyard Ridge Project Review

Dustin Christiansen of Mansfield Land Use Consultants provided maps and an update on the most recent site plans for the Vinyard Ridge project.

VI. New Business

Tad E. led the group in a discussion regarding the 2017 work plan-particularly in regards to attending local events as is outlined in the 2017 work plan.

VII. MDOT Updates

Patty O. provided an MDOT update and also reminded the group that if they want to pursue Pure Michigan Byway signs for the route they should contact her to get the process started.

VIII. Networks Northwest Administrative Update –Tad Erickson

a. Manistee/Benzie M-22 Scenic Heritage Route

Tad E. updated the group on the new Byway (Manistee/Benzie M-22) which was newly designated in 2016 and whose committee is in the formative stages.

IX. Public Comments

No public Present

X. Committee Member Comments

- a. Planning for another regional byways group meeting was discussed by the committee. Tad was directed to plan a regional group byways meeting for the fall of 2017.
- b. The Township Planners suggested that something about TOD's signs be incorporated into the Township Master plan regarding placement.
- c. It was also recommended that in order to fulfill portions of the 2017 work plan that Tad E. and any other members, who would like to join him, provide a short presentation on the Michigan Byways Program at the Peninsula Library.

XI. Next Meeting: April 25th, 2017 at Peninsula Township Office, 9:00am

XII. Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM