

July 7, 2016  
City of Cuyuna  
Informational Meeting: Pump Track and Bike Trails

Present were Mayor Brix and council members Z Brix, Eisen, Stockard, and Zontelli.

Mayor Brix led the pledge of allegiance.

Bruce Swanson and Chuck Carlson were present from the Cuyuna Lakes Mountain Bike Crew along with Josh from WSN Engineering to discuss possible trail proposals to join the Cuyuna PumpTrack to the Mountain Bike Trail and then to the east end of town. The crew is working with the ATV and Snowmobile Clubs on the options and keeping them aware so crossings of trails can be conducted safely.

The connecting trail from the Yawkey pit would be about a 2.5 mile loop and 20" wide. The loop trails would be separated by about 300-400 feet; allowing for a scenic trail. The crew has talked with all the stake holders about the trail. Snowmobile club, ATV club, Mountain Bike club, White Tail Association and the Rabbit Lake Association.

Bruce and Chuck also discussed the possibility of creating an 8 mile looped trail through county and state property on the east side of CSAH 31 connecting to the pump track. A non-motorized access would be included.

Both the connecting trail from Yawkey and the 8 mile looped trail would be closed during rifle deer season.

Councilmember Z Brix asked if the trail areas would be open for bow hunting and muzzle loading and for cutting firewood. Bruce said the trails would be open during those times and did not think there would be a conflict as only the 20" trail is road and there are no random off trail riding. Permission for wood cutting would go through the county permit process.

Bruce and Chuck talked about the yearly maintenance for the pump track and a great opportunity for the City to upgrade its website and include on-line reservations as well as creating a face book page. The bike crew would like to see an additional 3-4 volunteers and do not necessarily need to be mountain bike riders. Council member Stockard stated the city should consider hiring summer maintenance people who could work under the direction of the bike crew.

Time table for the possible trail constructions is fall 2017 through 2018 along with other trail improvements.

**Motion by Zontelli to adjourn the informational meeting. Second by Stockard. Motion carried unanimously.**

William F Bedard  
Clerk

Lloyd Brix  
Mayor.