

# LUCAN AREA TRAILS ASSOCIATION MEETING

## MINUTES OF MEETING

**Date:** 7.30 PM April 21, 2010  
**Location:** Lower Level at the Lucan Legion  
**Present:** Bruce Lamb, Jane Donaghey, Jennifer Lamb (partly), Gail Lamb, Andraena Tilgner, Jessica Davies, Brad Cox, Eileen Sorton, Penny Altenburg, Paul Hodgins, Paul Hodgins, Val McLeod

	<b>Action By</b>
<p><b>Moved by Brad Cox, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jessica Davies to accept the minutes of April 7.</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>CARRIED</b></p>	
<p><b>BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES</b></p>	
<p><b>Incorporation:</b> The submission has been made for Lucan Area Trails Association Ltd. to be a non-profit corporation. Cost was \$578.75, to be reimbursed to Bruce once the bank account has been set up.</p>	
<p><b>Hike Ontario:</b> Jake has completed the online application for Lucan Area Trails Association become a member of Hike Ontario, and he has followed up with Tom Friesen (President) to see if anything else is required.</p> <p><b>April 21:</b> Bruce Lamb will follow up.</p>	<p><b>Bruce Lamb</b></p>
<p><b>Insurance:</b> Jake has inquired with Hike Ontario about insurance. They meet on April 8, so Tom Friesen wants to discuss with the board before issuing a quote.</p> <p><b>April 21:</b> Bruce Lamb will follow up.</p>	<p><b>Bruce Lamb</b></p>
<p><b>TRAILS:</b></p> <p><b>Hodgins Trail:</b> Bruce, Val and Jenny ran Paul Hodgins' trail, just north of Clandeboye. The trail has been mapped and Jenny has made it 'live' on the site at Home&gt;Lucan Area Trails&gt; Hodgins' Trails. It is 3 km long although shorter routes are available.</p> <p>As noted on the website, "This is a good trail for runners in dry weather, but you'll want waterproof footwear if it's been rainy." This may be a good trail to invest a bit of granular material to make it usable for more of the year, subject to Paul Hodgins' approval.</p> <p>Bruce Lamb reviewed trails on website. Hodgins Trail needs some Granular material in some spots. Val and Vic McLeod will approach Paul Hodgins.</p> <p>There is also a potential to build a trail from the wooded area to McGillivray between fields, making a roughly 5k loop from the gym.</p> <p><b>April 21:</b> Enhancements to the trail were discussed with Paul Hodgins. Martin Van Rentels owns the farm between the end of the trail and McGillivray Drive. It may be possible to extend the trail in that direction.</p>	

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	<p><b>The group will meet at 7.00 on the 28<sup>th</sup> to walk the trail and discuss areas where LATA can assist.</b></p>	
	<p><b>Terry Jacques Trail:</b> This was a trail reported by Gail as being a potential new trail for inclusion in the trail inventory. Located off of William Street. We'll need to have this trail evaluated and mapped.</p> <p><b>April 21:</b> Terry Jacques advised Gail Lamb that the trail extends across the adjacent properties to the Denfield Road. It may be possible to connect a trail from the soccer fields down Queen Street to William past the water tower, along the abandoned railway tracks on the south side of William and then over to the Jacques trail. There is also potential for some connection to Jackie Marten's farm along Coursey Line .</p>	
	<p><b>South Side of Benn Drain:</b> We discussed chatting with 'Elmer' about a trail on the south side of the Benn Drain. Eileen to report.</p> <p><b>April 21:</b> Eileen Sorton has talked briefly to Elmer. A connection to Walnut Street is possible but should be looked at after the construction of the condominiums.</p>	
	<p><b>Trail #4 North of Car Wash:</b> Bruce met with Ron Reymer at the Township offices and while the land surrounding the Shipley's is owned by the township, the Shipley's have the rights to use the land until required for drainage purposes for the development to the south. The land around the drain is currently used for horse grazing.</p> <p>Bruce met with Bernie Avery about using the former railway lane, and he is fine with it for walkers/runners/horses – but not snowmobiles (which is good from our perspective). He suggested that we may want to get a trail out to the wooded area to the northeast. He knows the landowners/renters. We should evaluate whether a wooded-area trail could be a good nature trail for town residents' use. It was agreed that there was good potential here.</p>	
	<p><b>Trail #7 South of Tim Hortons:</b> At the meeting with Ron Reymer, Bruce and Ron discussed a trail around the water retention pond. While a trail around the pond would likely be fine, looping up to the lane between the council building and works building could be a problem due to future construction, at least in the short term.</p> <p>It was agreed that work should start first on the Time Horton's trail as it is the most visible in the community</p> <p><b>April 21:</b> Paul Hodgins reported that the concept of this trail was turned down by council. When the storm water detention pond was established in this location neighbours were promised that the area would not be turned into a park. Municipal staff is concerned that pedestrian traffic near the works building would open the risk of vandalism.</p>	
	<p><b>Volunteers:</b> It was discussed at the last meeting about getting volunteers from local high schools and from Corrections Canada. Jessica to investigate and</p>	<p><b>Jennifer Lamb</b></p>

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	<p>report.</p> <p><b>April 7:</b> Jessica reported that we do not have “court ordered” people in Lucan and she had no response from Guidance Counsellors. A notice in the schools and word of mouth might be just as helpful.</p> <p><b>April 21:</b> Jessica circulated a flyer asking for student volunteers which will be posted in schools, variety stores, etc. It will also be on the website.</p>	<b>Jessica</b>
	<p><b>Signage:</b> Val McLeod to report on Courtesy Signs discussion. Bruce took pictures of signage in Vancouver which will be posted on LucanTrails.ca as examples.</p> <p><b>April 7:</b> Bruce showed signage in Vancouver. He has been given the manual for the Bruce Trail and it has signage in it. All agreed that the Hodgins’ trail needs to be marked at the highway as most do not know it is there.</p> <p><b>April 21:</b> Val McLeod has spoken with Courtesy Signs who said to contact them when we have a concept. Jennifer Lamb will post the signs from the Bruce Trail Association on the web site.</p>	<b>Jennifer Lamb</b>
	<b>NEW BUSINESS</b>	
1	<p><b>Overall Trail Layout:</b> Paul Hodgins reported that Council would like to see an overall plan of the proposed trails. The difficulty of proposing a trail over land where there has not been agreement from the landowners is an issue.</p>	
2	<p><b>Trillium Grants:</b> Andraena reported that the group must be incorporated as a not-for-profit corporation to qualify. Applications need to be for specific items carefully budgeted and described.</p>	
3	<p><b>Bruce Trail Manual:</b> Bruce Lamb will post on the web site.</p>	<b>Bruce Lamb</b>
4	<p><b>Need List:</b> A needs list will be posted on the web site to encourage donations for items such as granular, rail way ties, etc. A press release to the Banner would be helpful.</p>	<b>Jennifer Lamb</b>
	<p><b>Next Meeting: May 5: 7.30 PM, <u>downstairs</u> at the Lucan Legion.</b></p>	
	<p><b>Adjournment: moved by Val McLeod, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brad Cox</b>                      <b>CARRIED</b></p>	