

Friends of the Macomb Orchard Trail
Meeting Minutes for Tuesday March 22, 2005

- Meeting was called to order at 7 p.m.
- Previous meeting minutes were not available.
- Treasures report was presented by Chuck Mabley and accepted with no changes. Filing fees are due for non-profit organizations to the State of Michigan.
- Correspondence – Terry Gibbs will have an Environmental Fair at the Clinton Macomb Library. John Tarantino will cover it with Clinton River Riders and M.O.T. brochures and shirts for sale. Fair will be held in May 2005.
- Trail Commission Meeting was postponed to the following week. Dan Brown – Macomb County Commissioner has been added to the MOTC.
- Covered Bridge update from Neil Kosis. Lombardo construction is working on the design. Gary Kirsch – Washington Township is also reviewing the design. Still reviewing liability issues with Anthony Cassasantas. We will start looking for donations and bids on bridge materials. Still planning on volunteers for actual building of bridge. A contractor will be arranged to supervise the actual construction.
- Membership is holding around 100.
- Newsletter will be out around the beginning of May. A bike ride is planned for May 22. at 10 a.m. Starting at the Onyx Ice Arena and riding out to 29 Mile and Van Dyke. We plan on selling shirts and sweaters at the start of the ride.
- Elected Board Members will retain the same positions they previously held.
- Michigander Bicycle Ride will be riding the Macomb Orchard Trail on July 21-22. We will overnight at Eisenhower High School. Volunteers will be wanted at the school to talk up the trail and get DONATIONS. Also prior to the ride a trail clean up may be required.
- Macomb County is looking into the purchase of the Romeo Airport. Some concern was raised over this affecting the completion of the Macomb Orchard Trail.
- Historical report was not available.
- Jon Moore – Richmond City Manager wants their end of the trail done in asphalt. They will pay the additional \$14 K for the paving. A trailhead is planned at the corner of 32 Mile rd. and Main St. (M 19). Chuck

Mabley indicated that TIFA-Tax Increment Finance Authority will provide some of the funds.

- Meeting closed at 8:10 p.m.

Next Meeting April 26, 2005 at Camp Rotary, Wolcott Mill.

Members in attendance:(* indicated board member)

Dennis Tipsword*

Chuck Mabley*

John Tarrantino*

Dave Rumohr*

Neil Kosis*

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Al Goetzinger

Lee Rumohr.

Minutes submitted by Lee Rumohr