

RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION OF PAVING THE PAUL BUNYAN STATE TRAIL
FROM WALKER TO GUTHRIE #2007-01
2008 Proposal Bemidji to Guthrie Trail Paving

Guthrie Township in the County of Hubbard of the state of Minnesota

WHEREAS, Paving of this trail will not provide a “multi use” trail from Walker to Bemidji; Many of the residents of Guthrie Township enjoy horseback riding and quiet walks on such trail and there seems to be no provision of horseback riding on this paved trail.

WHEREAS, the paving of such trail would not benefit the citizens of Guthrie Township: and this “goal” is an inappropriate use of the taxpayer dollars.

WHEREAS, the paving of such trail will diminish the “cultural benefit” of our quiet rural community:

WHEREAS, there has been residents who have purchased and plan to continue to purchase DNR horse pass permits to ride on the Paul Bunyan trail. Yet, if this trail is paved we understand that it will prohibit horseback riding on this trail.

WHEREAS, Guthrie Township would like to receive the studies that show by the paving this trail the use would be such to justify the cost to our taxpayers to pave such trail.

WHEREAS, the middle of the Hartland trail from Walker to Cass Lake has seen little use and is already in need of repair.

WHEREAS, this trail is a “pay for use” by snowmobile riders and horseback riders yet a minority of bicycle riders and rollerblade people do not contribute to the cost of such trail

WHEREAS, any provision that would include all of our citizens of Guthrie the right to use this trail (ie gravel walkway/horse riding trail) Guthrie Township would reconsider the support of such trail.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Guthrie Township is in opposition of the support and paving the Paul Bunyan State trail from Walker to Bemidji

This 19th day of September 2007

Supervisor Russ Nickerson = YES _____

Chairman Michael Schmidt = YES _____

Supervisor Roger Corson = YES _____

Attest: Dorothy Clairmont, Guthrie Town Clerk _____