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Brief history of the project and what has been completed to date (might not be in the exact order or include everything completed to date)

2 years in the making: met with Park and Rec Director, met with Park and Rec committee with our proposal, project approved and sent to the City Council.

Originally planned/budgeted for a volunteer hand built trail (quickly realized that was not practical for a number of reasons)

Budgeted/planned originally for 3.5 miles (not thinking that we could get much more on the West Lake Marion Park site. After walking site with Tim Wegener and city we discovered a 5-mile travel was possible. The 5-mile trail became our goal.

After the City Council approved the project fundraising was started.

The website lakevillecycling.org was purchased and constructed (still a work in progress) approx. \$350 expense. A Facebook page was also started to disseminate information.

The chosen site (West Lake Marion Park) was surveyed and marked to make trail planner aware of private property boundaries.

Tim Wegner (Trail Source) was hired to make the trail plan...\$2500

Wetland area on the property was researched to provide boundary information to eliminate environmental impact.

City Council approves project and budget.

Trail consultant hired to help create specs for bidding...\$2500

Put project out on bids...Tim Wegner of Trail Source received the bid (Excellent trail builder with great references and lots of experience)

Established LCA Board of Directors (8)

Continued fundraising...giving presentations to local organizations and calling on businesses and individuals.

Obtained Articles of Incorporation (saved approx. \$2,000 attorney fees)
Obtained Tax ID and 501(3) c non profit (saved \$ approx. \$1,000 CPA fees)

Obtained insurance for LCA (liability for group and Directors Insurance for Board)
cost of approx. \$2,000

Obtained Bank and checking account (Citizens Bank)

Purchased Trail Builder –t-shirts for “Official Trail Work”....now and in future \$375
cost

LCA hand built trail started (should be completed by end of June or earlier)

Trail Source started approx. April 10 and are making great progress on the machine
built part of the trail.

Trail clean up day was April 22 (Earth Day) and was a great success with approx.
30-40 participants.

Hand trail tools have been purchased locally (Ace Hardware) for approx. \$620
(a storage box for tools to be on site is being researched for purchase)

Another clean up of the trail happened on April 29...12-15 helped clean up the sides
of the intermediate trail.

Hand built trail building continues as well as trail clearing, dates TBD.

What still needs to be done?????????

Trail needs to be completed, signage needs to be chosen/completed/installed.

Entrance (acknowledgement arch) needs to be planned/created/installed.

Grand opening needs to be planned as well as continued fundraising.

Advertising/educating Lakeville residents to the positive impact for this amenity on
the community...ETC.

LOTS OF WAYS TO GET INVOLVED TO SHARE THE LOAD....