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From: Tsalteshi Trails Association (TTA)

Bill Holt, Tom Seggerman, Laura Pillifant, Brenda Stoops, John Harro, Patti Berkahn, David Gibbs, Robin Nyce, TTA Board Members

Re: Electricity costs for trail lighting

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We will soon begin the process of installing lights for a portion of the Tsalteshi Trails. This has been a long-term goal of TTA and it appears that we will soon be starting to meet these goals. TTA and its members have, over the past 15 years, developed a wonderful network of skiing, running and biking trails, which has evolved through the hard work and persistence of many volunteers. This trail system is used by community members of all ages and is an integral part of middle and high school cross-country sports, both running and skiing on the central peninsula.

The TTA board is committed to the lighting of the trails and will pursue this goal to the best of our abilities. We will assume responsibility for the electricity used to light the trails and plan to meet these expenses through our membership dues.

TTA's mission is to encourage a lifetime appreciation of healthy lifestyles through the pursuit of outdoor recreational and leisure activities that include walking, hiking, mountain biking, **winter cross country skiing, biathlon, and other community uses that the Tsalteshi Trails System can provide for on a year round basis.**

The members of the Tsalteshi Trails Association would like to thank you for your support of this project. We know that trails enhance communities tremendously and particularly in northern climates when daylight is limited and winters are long. A lighted trail on the central peninsula will be a wonderful asset with wide reaching effects for people in our community. The members of the Board are all dedicated to making the Tsalteshi Trails a destination for anyone seeking physical activity on a year round basis in our community.