

City of Rock Falls Recreation Trail Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 04/10/08 Time Meeting Started: 3pm Time Meeting Ended: 4:20pm

Members		Members		
Pam Erby, Chairperson	Р	Dick Stinson	Р	
Bob Schwab	Р	Mayor Blanton	Р	
Doug Wiersema	Р	Steve Moser, IDNR	Р	
Dick Linvelle, Industrial Dev. Chairperson.	Р	Joan Fritz, Coloma Park District	Р	
George S. Bellovics, IDNR	Р	Joe Bustos, Sauk Valley Newspaper	Р	
Richard Downey, City Administrator	Р			
X-Attended A-Absent				

Ordinance/Topic	Discussion	Plan of Action
1. Call Meeting to Order-3pm	Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Erby-3pm	No action.
2. Introductions & announcements	Introductions were made all around.	No action.
3. Discussion of Long Term Plan- Bike Path-Phases discussed and designated for Committee to accept	 Open discussion was held on recreation trail. Snow mobiling was discussed, as Mr. Bellovics pointed out Federal Grants would change for RTP (recreation trail program) to an 80% 20% split with 20% being local match if the trail allowed snow mobiling. Committee discussed this issue, but declined to allow snow mobiles for various reasons. Committee then discussed phases for plans. Committee decided that Phase I would be West of Canal to Dixon Avenue. Committee decided that Phase II would be East of Canal to McNeil Road Committee decided that Phase III would be Lower Dam to Upper Dam. 	Items would be sent to the City Council for their approval, and adoption into the minutes for future grant applications, this would be done at the May 20 th meeting of the City Council.
4. Discussion of two bike path gran applications in 2009.	 City Administrator talked briefly about two bike path grants. Mr. Bellovics and Mr. Moser informed committee on good things to have in place for grants. One would be having the sections that were applied for have locations that they take people from and to. Secondly it should be included in the County recreational trail plan, and third it should be determined by this committee and then by the City Council. All three of these suggestions are getting done to prepare the City for the 2009 grant season. Mr. Bellovics also said that he would be able to do some engineering for the bike path for a sample bike path section that the City could then use for its bike paths. 	Committee thanked Mr. Bellovics for all the suggestions and would work on implementing all of them.
5. Discussion of 2008 projects.	There was a short discussion on 2008 projects.	No action.

6. Set Next Month's Meeting time and date to formalize phases for the bike path system and 2008 projects.	Committee discussed having their next meeting on May 8 th at 3pm at the north end of City Hall. Messages and agendas would be sent out to all interested parties for next meeting.	Agendas would be posted and times would be provided to City Clerk.
7. Adjourn	Committee adjourned at 4:20pm.	No action.

Richard Downey, Recorder, Rock Falls Recreational Trail Committee