



City of Rock Falls

Recreational Trail Committee Meeting

Minutes

Date: 06/11/09 Time Meeting Started: 3:00 pm

Time Meeting Ended: 4:10pm

| Members | | Members | |
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| Pam Erby (chairperson) | P | George Bellovics | P |
| Steve Moser | P | Dick Stinson | P |
| Mike Sterba | P | Bob Schwab | P |
| Jerry Bartlett | A | Richard Downey, City Administrator | A |
| Sandy Henrekin | A | Glen Kuhlemier | P |
| Doug Wiersema | P | Dick Linville | A |
| Mayor Dave Blanton | P | | |
| P-Present A-Absent | | | |

| Ordinance/Topic | Discussion | Plan of Action |
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| 1. Call to Order | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee called to order at 3:00 pm | |
| 2. Recreation Trail Grant Submittal Phase I - trail and parking lot | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update on the Trail Grant. Has been submitted and awaiting approval. This \$90,000 matching Grant (total funding \$180,000) is for Phase one. When the Mayor receives a letter concerning the status of this Grant, a group of us should be ready to go to Springfield to attend. The Mayor will arrange for someone to start the calling to all the members of this committee for a list of who is available. This could take place in September. | Mayor Blanton and Steve Moser reported |
| 3. Ownership Issue | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Have received the Title Insurance. No change since May Mtg. | Mayor Blanton reported |
| 4. Committee member items. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cleanup was tentatively scheduled for Saturday the 13th of June. Weather permitting. If it is a go, each member will receive a call to that effect. The letter of request was submitted to IDNR, Once permission has been received from IDNR to name the bridge for the Dick Linville Family, signs indicating "Linville Crossing" will be ordered by the City. It was agreed to have two signs made, one for each side of the bridge. Moser suggested there installed with tamper proof screws. Size was determined to be the same as the street signs. Mayor Blanton said Bonnell's in Dixon is who makes these signs. The city will pay for the signs out of Public Property funds. Discussion from the RRDA. RRDA reported the group installed a garden at the point by the dam. Flower starts were supplied/purchased from Tim Keller. These natural flowers are typical to this area. A lot of work was put into this garden. 350 plants were hand planted at a cost of \$3.50 each plant. The group welcomes any volunteers to keep these watered. | A copy of the letter of request was sent to Steve Moser. A copy is available for review with the City. |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Hold Harmless Waiver form, to be used by all volunteers who work on the cleanup project, was provided by Erby for the committee to review. It is basically the same as IDNR uses currently for any volunteers they have working on the canal. • George Bellovics shared that IDNR will be defining the property lines around the grainery prior to plans being drawn up for an access ramp leading from the canal path to the railroad bridge and path in Phase I. They will try the "good neighbor" approach with the owners/operators of the business located at the grainery once they find the boundary markers. | Mayor Blanton gave his approval to use the form presented. |
| 5. Approve Meeting Minutes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee reviewed and approved minutes as presented with the correct naming of the bridge to Linville Crossing (not Linville Lane) | Blanton moved, seconded by Stinson |
| 6. Adjourn. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee adjourned | Adjourned 4:10 pm. |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next meeting was set for July 9, 2009 at 3:00 pm | |

Pam Erby, Recorder, Rock Falls Recreational Trail Committee