



City of Rock Falls

Recreational Trail Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 09/09/10

Time Meeting Started: 3:00pm

Time Meeting Ended: 3:50pm

Attending		Attending	
Pam Erby (chairperson)	P	Dave Hahne-Site Assistant Hennepin Canal	P
Bob Schwab	P	George Bellovics-IDNR	P
Doug Wiersema, Rock Falls Chamber of Commerce	P	Richard Downey, City Administrator	P
X-Attended A-Absent			

Ordinance/Topic	Discussion	Plan of Action
1) Call Meeting To Order-3pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Erby at 3pm. 	Called to order at 3pm.
2) Approve Meeting Minutes (08/12/10)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Doug moved and Bob seconded to approve the minutes of the August 12th meeting, motion carried. 	Minutes were approved as presented.
3) Rock Falls Rotary Project – Bench Location & Model Selection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Committee held a discussion on the new bench at Point of where Hennepin Canal and the Rock River meet. It was determined that committee would only recommend benches that were similar if not the exact make and model as those used in other areas of the city. Discussion was also had about creating a map with locations designated of where benches could go and the types of acceptable benches and then when people want to donate a bench most of the work is already done. 	Map of future locations of bench locations will be developed at future meeting and available for handing to clients.
4) Grant Status	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grant status was discussed, and “Zilch” was proclaimed. 	No action.
5) Signage.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee discussed road signage where road meets the recreational trail. It was determined that the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control (MUTCO) would be followed for any signage leading up to the crossings at East 5th Street and Avenue C and E 7th Street and Avenue D. City Administrator would research where signage would go and how it could be placed. A suggestion was made that 250 feet prior to the crossing a “Trail Crossing” sign would be posted. 	Committee discussed signage, and would return to issue at next meeting.
6) Phase 1 Clean-up	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussion was held on doing a presentation for leaders for the canal clean up by the Sheriff’s Department or Rock Falls Police Department on things they should and should not worry about picking up. There was a general concern that sometimes coolers have portable methamphetamine labs in them and anyone opening them could be seriously injured if they opened it without caution. 	City Administrator would contact local law enforcement to see about brief training for clean-up volunteers.
7) New Business a. Meeting Time Change – Pam Erby	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee discussed changing meeting time or date. After a brief discussion, decision was to leave time and date the same for now. 	No action.
8) Adjourn Next meeting to be on October 14, 2010 at 3pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting was adjourned at 3:50pm. Next meeting would be at 3pm on October 14th. 	Meeting Adjourned at 3:50pm.