



City of Rock Falls

Recreational Trail Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 10/14/10

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
Mike Sterba, Coloma Park District	P	Jerry Bartlett	P
Mayor Blanton	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 September 9th, motion carried. 	Minutes were approved as presented.
3) Rock Falls Rotary Project – Bench Location & Model Selection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coloma Park has order park bench to be located at Point of Rock River and Canal entrance. Bench is 6 foot long and a 6 foot by 8 foot concrete area will be poured. Mike Sterba said he would like to speak to George Bellovics about the size that IDNR would suggest for the pad. Pam suggested that she will email Rollie Ducoing and Keith Zoeller about the progress. 	Mike Sterba will be working with IDNR about getting concrete platform for benches, and Pam will be talking to Rotary members about progress.
4) Old Business: Meeting Time Change	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Motion was made by Glen seconded by Bob to officially change the meeting time to 4pm on the same day of the month (the second Thursday of the month). It was also noted that the November meeting would fall on a holiday hence the meeting date would be moved to the 18th of November. 	Meeting time was officially changed.
5) Grant Status	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No progress was reported on grant. 	No action.
6) 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.
7) Phase 1 Clean-up	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bob Schwab reported that Harvest Time Baptist church might want to look at monthly project, such as cleaning the canal. 	City Administrator would contact local law enforcement to see about brief training for clean-up volunteers.
8) New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mead Bike Shop contacted Mayor about off-trail bike paths. Mayor is working with a volunteer group about creating a formal clean-up agreement with bike group from the shop. Bob suggested the Bike group speak with the IDNR directly. Doug Wiersema suggested that there is 40 acres of state owned property west off route 40 and the canal crossing, 	Mayor thanked committee for their input. Linville Crossing sign will be

	<p>and they might be able to use that ground.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Linville crossing sign has disappeared. Committee briefly discussed and determined it was best to replace it in April 2011. 	replaced in the spring.
9) Adjourn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting was adjourned at 3:50pm. • Next meeting would be at 4pm on November 18th. 	Meeting Adjourned at 3:50pm.

Richard Downey, Recorder, Rock Falls Recreational Trail Committee