



## City of Rock Falls Recreational Trail Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 09-13-2012 Time Meeting Started: 4:12 pm Time Meeting Ended: 5:00 pm

Members		Also Attended	
Pam Erby (Chairperson)	P	Mayor Blanton	P
Art Deem	P	Cathy Brunner	P
Tim Keller	P	Bob Schwab	A
George Bellovics	A	Jerry Bartlett	P
Mike Sterba	A	Dave Hahne	P
Dick Linville	P	Robbin Blackert	A
Glen Kuhlemier	P		
Bethany Bland	A		
P-Attended A-Absent			

Ordinance/Topic	Discussion	Plan of Action
1. Call to Order	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting Called to order at 4:12pm.</li> </ul>	
2. Approve Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tim Keller made a motion to accept the minutes by Glen Kuhlemier. Second by Tim Keller.</li> </ul>	Motion Carried
3. Recognize Visitors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No visitors were present</li> </ul>	
4. Organization reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Coloma Township Park District - None</li> <li>RRDA - minutes shared from previous meeting. Meeting moved next month. The clean up was a be success. There was some discussion on recycling opportunities.</li> </ul>	No action No action
4. Organization Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Riverfront Committee: Mayor Blanton shared the status of the riverfront development. He indicated that a committee had met to discuss and review various potential site plans offered by the consultants. The process is going well.</li> <li>There was also discussion on portage distances and access along the Rock River. Discussion will continue as the bridge project is completed.</li> </ul>	
5. Old Business a. Gift Brochure b. Master Trail Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No report regarding Gift Brochure Program</li> <li>No report regarding Master Trail Plan</li> </ul>	No Actions taken
5. Old Business c. Canal Annexation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mayor Blanton shared information that was gathered during a trip to Colona IL where the Hennepin is annexed into the community from IDNR. At present there are still questions but they are being researched and will eventually come before the public property committee. There was some discussion regarding</li> </ul>	

	creating access at the railroad crossing. The mayor indicated that this is being discussed with IDNR.	
5. Old Business d. Trail Maintenance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The issues regarding infringement on the trail by property owners had not been resolved. Those locations will be identified again and the compliance officer will follow up.</li> </ul>	Blanton will talk with city compliance officer.
6. Grant Status	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There is no new information regarding grant status or grant availability at this time from IDNR. Brunner reported that only two states, Florida and Kansas, have opted out of the Recreational Trails Program. This would indicate that IL will have funds for the RTP program. Committee will inquire to George Bellovics of IDNR at next meeting.</li> </ul>	Follow up on RTP program with George Bellovics
7. Signage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There is a hold on directional signage but the committee was instructed to begin thinking about what should be signed and where they should be located. It was believed that the defunct branding committee may have already identified these locations.</li> <li>Pam will follow up with Ted Padilla.</li> <li>The overhead signage is being coordinated with Dave Hahne. The signs are complete; Pam will coordinate the effort with IDNR in order to get photographs.</li> </ul>	Cathy will check with Robbin to see if notes were left from Richard Downey. Pam will get photograph when signs are installed
8. Phase I & II	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No report</li> </ul>	No action required
9. New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There was no new business.</li> </ul>	No action required.
10. Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm with a motion by Keller and seconded by Bartlett. Vote taken was unanimous.</li> <li>The next meeting will be held on October 11, 2012 at 4 pm in the north end conference room of City Hall.</li> </ul>	Motion carried

Respectfully submitted by  
Catherine Brunner