



City of Rock Falls

Recreational Trail Committee Meeting

Minutes

Date: 04-12-2012 Time Meeting Started: 4:00 pm Time Meeting Ended: 4:50 pm

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

Ordinance/Topic	Discussion	Plan of Action
1. Call to Order	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting Called to order at 4:00 pm 	
2. Approve Minutes of Mar 8, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Glen Kuhlemier made a motion to accept the minutes from the March 8, 2012 meeting as presented. Motion seconded by Mike Sterba. Vote taken was unanimous. 	Motion Carried
3. Recognize Visitors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Visitors Present 	No Action
4. Old Business a. Gift Brochure b. Kiosk Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report regarding Gift Brochure No report regarding Kiosks 	No Actions taken
4c. Old Business Master Trail Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report waiting for Brunner to put packages together of information she received from Bellovics 	No Action
4d. Old Business Canal Assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mayor Blanton reported the meeting with IDNR went very well and a great deal of information was shared. They are still looking at ways and procedures to create the most effective partnership. The next meeting will take place sometime in April. IDNR owns the E. 2nd Street Bridge and George Bellovics confirmed with the committee that the long range plans will include the bridge. 	Blanton/Brunner will report to committee next month

4e. Old Business CTPD Projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mike Sterba reported the projects currently underway with the park district. Mayor Blanton commented on the bike path progress and indicated that meetings with Dave Schreiber and the Riverfront committee will continue. 	No action required
5. Grant Status	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report. 	No action required
6. Signage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Erby shared an article from a newspaper that highlighted information along the trails in the Bureau County area. The signs were similar to the information kiosks found in the area of the locks off E. 2nd Street along the Feeder Canal. Still investigating on style of signage to identify the overhead crossing along the Feeder Canal pathway within the city limits. Estimated 6 or 7 overheads with one sign coming from each direction making the total to consider funding 12 or 14. Locations are: Dixon Avenue; RR Bridge; E. 11th Street; US Rte 30; IL Rte 40; I 88; Buell Road. 	No Action taken
7. Phase I & II	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mayor reported that the Riverfront pathway, under the 1st Avenue bridge will be lit. 2 lights are being considered in that area. 	No Action required
8 a. New Business Riverfront Status	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Riverfront progression is on coming along nicely. The RFCDC committee continue meeting with the site planners and a group doing a destination survey. The zoning and site planning are being addressed as well. The bike path is on schedule and the mayor continues to iron out the usage along the river. 	No Action required
8b. New Business RRDA Cleanup	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The RRDA will hold its annual clean up on April 22nd from 1-3 pm. The committee will have someone from the RF Police Dept. speak about "things to watch out for" as a safety precaution to volunteers. Tim Keller stated RRDA also needs help cleaning up the slough along Bottom Road. 	No Action required
8c. New Business Trail name	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Glen Kuhlemier reported that he has received permission from Mrs. Bellson approving the to name the trail after her late husband Louis Bellson, native son of Rock Falls. 	No Action
9. Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting adjourned at 4:50pm with a motion by Art Deem and seconded by Pam Erby. Vote taken was unanimous. • The next meeting will be held on May 10, 2012 at 4 pm in the north end conference room of City Hall. 	Motion carried