

OHIO RIVER



GREENWAY
DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

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Ohio River Greenway Development Commission Meeting Minutes – February 18, 2010

Old Bridge Building
315 Southern Indiana Ave.
Jeffersonville, IN 47130

<p>Voting Members Present: Town/Cities Clarksville - Greg Isgrigg (Proxy) Clarksville – Jane Sarles Jeffersonville – Mayor Tom Galligan (Proxy) Jeffersonville – Philip Hendershot Jeffersonville – Wayne Estopinal (Proxy) New Albany – Mayor Doug England(Proxy) New Albany – Pat Leist-Stumler New Albany – Anne Banet (Proxy)</p> <p>Governor’s Appointees Clark County- Regina Overton (Proxy) Floyd County- Gary Libs (Proxy)</p> <p>Non-Voting Members Present: Steve Knowles – DNR (Proxy) Jim Ude – INDOT</p>	<p>Proxies: Brian Kaluzny to Greg Isgrigg Brian Fogle to Mayor Tom Galligan Brent Williams to Wayne Estopinal Scott Wood to Mayor Doug England Irvin Stumler to Anne Banet Sheryl Yoder to Regina Overton Kyle Wilson to Gary Libs</p> <p>Voting Members Absent w/o Proxy: Clarksville – Gilbert Campbell</p> <p>Non-Voting Members Absent Michael Dalby – One So. Indiana Jim Keith – So. Indiana Tourism Bureau</p> <p>Project Staff Absent</p>
<p>Project Staff: Shaunna Graf – Project Coordinator Matt Schueler – USACE</p>	<p>Members of the Community: Carol Labashosky, USACE, Cary Stemle, Director Friends of the Ohio River Greenway</p>

Call to Order and Attendance

Philip Hendershot, Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:07 p.m. and proceeded with taking attendance. Phil stated that Gil Campbell called him Wednesday evening to report he would not be able to attend.

Old Business

Approval of Monthly Meeting Minutes

The January 2010 meeting minutes were presented for approval. Pat Leist Stumler noted one correction. Brian Fogle moved to approve the January 2010 meeting minutes with noted correction (seconded by Jane Sarles). The motion passed.

Indiana Workforce Development – unpaid estimated unemployment insurance

Pat Leist-Stumler reported there has been no contact from the Indiana Department of Workforce Development or Premier Credit of North America.

Treasurer’s Report

Pat Leist-Stumler reported as per the bank statements dated January 31, 2010.

The balance in the checking account is \$ 7,390.38

The money market account balance is \$ 152,638.90

The Commission received the \$12,000 annual contribution from Clarksville but the amount is not reflected in the checking account balance for January. Phil asked for clarification of how much we had to take out of the reserve account. Pat clarified that the money transferred into the checking account from the money market in January was not in the reserves, but operating funds put into the money market account to earn interest.

The claims for February were presented. There was discussion about the claims Scott Wood moved to approve claims as presented on the claims sheet (seconded by Brian Kaluzny). The motion passed.

Claim #	Payable to	Claim	Amount	Budget Line Item
812	Shaunna Graf	Consulting Services - Shaunna Graf	\$3,105.00	1
813	Shaunna Graf	Reimbursables	\$153.03	7,10,12

Project Update

Clarksville

Levee Trail (Governor’s Grant)

Brian Kaluzny reported is the Levee Trail is 100% complete. Brian K. supplied Matt Schueler with documentation for \$417,000 worth of federal credits Clarksville is seeking for the Levee Trail.

Bailey West to Silver Creek Crossing (TE Project) – Lewis and Clark Trail

Brian K. reported there has been no progress as Clarksville is still awaiting the Archeology report estimated to be completed in May.

Ashland Park/Carmen Industries

Clarksville wired \$185,000 to the USACE’s Greenway Project Account to begin design of the Ashland Park/Carmen Industries Clarksville segment. This segment’s eastern starting point is at the outer parking lot of the Falls of the Ohio to the Jeffersonville/Clarksville line near the Clark Memorial Bridge.

Jeffersonville

Big 4 (Design Update)

Brian Fogle reported the TIGER grant funding announcements were made yesterday and the Big 4 was not selected. Still moving forward to having documents

Go back to original funding from Bridges project allocated to the Big 4 bridge.

Middle Connector – Update

Brian F. stated we are waiting for the FWHA to wire money (no later than 3.1.10) to the USACE Greenway account to get construction started in spring.

New Albany Design of Base and Option 3

Scott Wood reported the 50% design meeting went very well. Scott, Phil, Shaunna, Matt Schueler, Jenni Reichard and Brian Fogle were in attendance. HNTB and Stantec presented the 50% design. Scott noted the press release in the Commission handouts notifying the public of the 50% design review meeting on February 23rd at 6:30 p.m. This will allow the design team to address questions from the general public.

Phil noted the graphics HNTB developed were quite impressive and will illustrate very well in the public meeting.

Advisory Committee Reports

Community Outreach

Steve Knowles refereed to the calendar of the events among the handouts. Steve stated the events are focused on getting people out on the Greenway. It will allow for user groups to be identified. Steve reported sledding on the Greenway with hot chocolate took place twice at the falls of the Ohio. For future sledding events it was suggested to use the New Albany levee, too.

Events

Shaunna stated the Friends of the Ohio River Greenway (FOG) are planning a pre-derby block party fundraiser and asking the Commission for \$1000 to offset the upfront fees. Cary Stemle stated the impetus came from hotels in the area offering three day packages. Guests are staying in the area arriving on Thursday night with no plans after 7 p.m. FOG is putting together a small scale event with a live band to entertain the out of town guests and community. The event will be pedestrian friendly. This idea seems to have an appeal to the local hotels. FOG realizes this is a first year event and with weather in the area not guaranteed to be good they are taking a chance. Phil Hendershot agreed partnering with the hotels is a nice opportunity for collaboration. The City of Jeffersonville has offered to help with putting the event together. Jane Sarles moved to allow \$1000 from Commission budget to be given to the Friends of the Ohio River Greenway to offset the upfront fees for the pre-derby block party. (Brent Williams seconded.) The motion passed.

Finance and Funding

Federal project match requirements and Community Updates

Phil stated a meeting was held on January 26th with the USACE about credits and the overall financials of the Ohio River Greenway Federal Project. One of the items was discussed during the meeting was a discussion of a provision in the PCA which is going to be more strictly enforced in the future. This involves providing local matching dollars to the USACE. Starting this fall the local communities will have to transfer the local funds to the USACE as soon as the known amount of any new federal money coming through the USACE is available. Once the dollar amount of the federal allocation is determined, then the communities will have to post the match to those funds in advance of the federal fiscal year. In our current situation we put up our nonfederal money before it is needed for the piece as we begin design or construction. USACE will send the Commission a letter stating the federal funds available for the Greenway that need to be matched. This letter will be issued in August and the money would be needed on September 30, 2010. The federal accounting has become more stringent and across the country projects are going to have to have this change.

Federal Fiscal Year 2011 Request

Phil stated the finance and funding committee recommends asking for \$100,000 for 2011's federal allocation. The project has federal money still on the books that will allow us to do what we want to in 2010 and 2011. Scott asked if the Greenway Commission will be putting in that request. Shaunna will fill out the request. Scott asked for clarification as to whether New Albany would need to adjust their end

of the project as to cost share due to the original New Albany real estate estimates being higher than the actual value. Matt stated if the overall real estate estimate is high then the USACE will have to adjust the real estate, however the other credits for construction and local work seem to be more. The USACE looks at this as an overall project not community splits. Matt stated he would make sure to look at the real estate values closely when the construction costs are available and funding has to be matched. Phil iterated how important the Finance and Funding subcommittee is to the Commission. From the Commission's stand point we have to come together to know how federal funds will be spent in order to find out who has to come up with the local matching funds.

Community updates

Clarksville wired \$185,000 to the USACE to begin design work and turned over documents to the USACE for the Levee Trail credits.

Phil asked when the next round of TE funds will be available. Brian F. stated the estimated \$385,000 in TE funding is for 2012. Brian F. stated \$887,000 in CMAQ funding would be available. The only projects being considered for the CMAQ funds would be those that do not create more air pollution. CMAQ funds are reimbursable.

Project Coordinator Report

Shaunna reported the Friends of the Greenway is working to get the website setup with PayPal to allow for donations.

Shaunna stated she presented to the New Albany Lion's Club. The presentation to the New Albany City Council is this evening February 18 at 7:30 p.m.

Shaunna stated Jim Urban recommended the Greenway Project to Leonard Kik, an engineer who oversees IVY Tech students to create 3D Models. Mr. Kik needs to get topography maps from each community to be able to put together a cost estimate.

Steering Committee

Phil Hendershot stated there needs to be a goal of getting the Monuments and Memorials policy adopted by each community. After some discussion, it was agreed that during the summer time frame Brian F. would bring forward the policy to the Boards of Public Works in Jeffersonville and Scott in New Albany. Jane Sarles submitted the policy to the Clarksville.

Phil stated changing bylaws for the Commission has been tabled for now due to the legislature's many other important agenda items, now is not the time. Clarifying the comprehensive plan as required by the charter will be added to the design and construction committee's list.

The meeting was adjourned.