



**Ohio River Greenway Development Commission**  
Meeting Minutes – February 19, 2009

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

<p><b>Voting Members Present:</b> Clarksville – Greg Isgrigg (Proxy) Clarksville – Jane Sarles Clarksville – Gil Campbell Jeffersonville – Mayor Tom Galligan(Proxy) Jeffersonville – Philip Hendershot Jeffersonville – Wayne Estopinal New Albany – Pat Leist-Stumler (Proxy) Governor’s Appointee for Floyd County- Gary Libs</p> <p><b>Non-Voting Members Present:</b> Steve Knowles – DNR Michael Dalby – One Southern Indiana Jim Keith – Southern Indiana Tourism Bureau</p>	<p><b>Proxies:</b> Rick Dickman to Greg Isgrigg Brian Fogle to Mayor Tom Galligan Letty Walter to Pat-Leist Stumler Sam Schad to Anne Banet John Gilkey to Gil Campbell Brent Williams to Wayne Estopinal</p> <p><b>Voting Members Absent w/o Proxy:</b> New Albany – Anne Banet New Albany – Mayor Doug England Governor’s Appointee for Clark County- Regina Overton</p> <p><b>Non-Voting Members Absent w/o Proxy</b> Jim Ude – INDOT</p>
<p><b>Project Staff:</b> Shaunna Graf – Project Coordinator Matt Schuler – USACE</p>	<p><b>Members of the Community:</b> Brian Fogle</p>

**Call to Order and Attendance**

Philip Hendershot, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 12:09 p.m. and proceeded with taking attendance.

**Approval of Monthly Meeting Minutes**

The Commission reviewed the January minutes. Rick Dickman moved to accept the minutes. Gary Libs seconded. The motion passed.

**Treasurer’s Report**

Shaunna Graf read the written report as prepared by Pat Leist-Stumler:

As per the bank statements dated January 31, 2009. The money market account balance is \$153,677.30. The checking account balance is \$23,633.38. Pat has not yet been contacted by the State Board of Accounts, however, she expects we will be audited sometime soon for the 2007 and 2008 calendar years. All records from 2007 and 2008 are ready for the audit.

A motion to approve the claims was made by Brian Fogle (seconded by Jane Sarles.) Motion passed. Shaunna noted that Clarksville’s contribution of \$12,000 has been received and will be added to the account. The January balance reported above does not include the \$12,000.

<b>Claim</b>	<b>Payable to</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Line Item</b>
764	Shaunna Graf	Consulting Services - Shaunna Graf	\$3,000.00	1
765	Shaunna Graf	Office supplies, postage, 1SI annual meeting, shipping charge trail markers, meeting expenses	\$595.77	7,10,12,9,5

## **Project Update**

### **New Albany**

Bank Stabilization – Shaunna Graf spoke with the Scott Wood a few minutes before the meeting to obtain an update. The bank stabilization work is essentially complete. They have selected the seed mix for the articulated block and will disperse once the ground is not frozen. Scott Wood estimated that addition of the Greenway features along the newly stabilized area will be completed very soon if the weather is complimentary. The work would at the latest be completed in April. The scope of work for the paving includes removing the existing asphalt that is at the in the bank stabilization area off site. A ribbon cutting ceremony will need to be planned likely sometime in May.

### **Clarksville**

Levee Trail (Interpretive Center to George Rogers Clark Park) – Rick Dickman reported the design of this trail is in full force awaiting the USACE approval of the plans. Noting that the plans need to have specs submitted for the approval process to begin. When the trail is complete between the cabin and Interpretive Center the outer bed parking lot will be a trail head.

Bailey/Silver Creek Crossing (Bailey Ave. to West side of Silver Creek) – Rick Dickman reported Clarksville has submitted the project for an approved projects status through KIPDA. A KIPDA meeting to discuss the project approval is planned for February 26<sup>th</sup>. Once KIPDA approval is received the project will be ready for NTP through INDOT. KIPDA is honoring the 15 day comment period.

### **Jeffersonville**

Big 4 Design Contract – Brian Fogle stated the selection committee of INDOT is underway. Jeffersonville will continue to work with INDOT on getting a firmer schedule as to when design work would be complete. Once INDOT signs off on an engineering selection, then scope will be determined and design work can begin. The anticipated scope is conceptual design, environmental and permitting: not to proceed to full construction documents.

### **Greenway Design Efforts for 2009**

Philip Hendershot stated the Commission and the USACE are working to get the designer on board for the remainder of the Greenway project. At the Design and Construction Committee meeting the schedule of estimated dates associated with necessary actions to get the designer under contract was revised. Estimated dates: The draft scope to be presented to the design firm will be sent to the Commission from the USACE by March 2<sup>nd</sup>. The Commission has until March 5<sup>th</sup> to turn it back over to the USACE with any necessary edits. March 11<sup>th</sup> the RFP would go to the design firm. May 22<sup>nd</sup> the NTP would go forward on design. Due to the type of design contract being signed, the scope of work for the base work as well as each option has to be determined at the start of the design work. The contractor will agrees to the base bid and then options will be negotiated.

## **Project Coordinator Report**

Shaunna Graf reported a presentation for the New Albany council is scheduled tonight

## **Community Outreach**

The trail markers have been received are in storage. The Street Departments and utilities have been a bit busy. Once the locations have been checked by the utilities the installation of Clarksville's signs will begin.

## **Finance and Funding**

Jim Urban stated that the \$450,000 for the down ramp (upper trail/lower trail connector) on Restaurant Row is set to be part of the Stimulus money. Shaunna asked for comments on the spreadsheet submitted at the Strategic Planning Session. Phil Hendershot stated that the first sheet needs to be reworked. Phil also stated that the terms for credit approval up to 9/30/08 need to be established and on a yearly basis. The Commission needs for the USACE to indicate what is needed to submit for credits.

Shaunna Graf reported Connie Sipes' staff attorney is still working on the clarification of the Ohio River Greenway's IRS status as to whether it would be eligible for 501c3 status.

## **Events Committee**

### **5K 2009**

Shauna recommended to the Commission to outsource the 5K for 2009 to make better use of time. Letty Walters suggested continuing with the race for the future use of going all the way to Louisville once this trail is completed. Jane Sarles stated the race is needed for continued public awareness. She agrees that it would be beneficial for an outside source to put the race together. John Gilkey confirmed that race concept is good. Shaunna will get estimates from Pacers and Racers or another outfit for coordinating the race. Gary Libs also stated that the race itself is very good for raising awareness.

## **Public Comments**

Keith Bauman, Samtec, reported he and a crew helped get Loop Island Wetlands website back up and running. They also cleaned downed trees out from the September wind storm. They are gearing up to clean up the downed trees caused by the ice storm. Gary Libs extended a thank you and expressed gratitude to Samtec for performing this community service.

## **Commission Comments**

Rick Dickman the town of Clarksville is selecting a planner for the Clarks Landing Project for the master plan. (Area from Penn Central RR to Carmen Industries) The master plan will take at least 12 to 18 months.

Jane Sarles stated that the Clarksville Historic Preservation Commission recommended the Town council to take action on making the area roughly bounded by Silver Creek and Bailey Avenue as the first Clarksville historic preservation district. The Town of Clarksville approved the establishment of the first town area as a historic area needing to be preserved. Historic preservation allows for land use in the area. (Note: first action from the town in 215 years to establish a historic preservation area. The open space zoning for this area was withdrawn.

The meeting was adjourned.