



Ohio River Greenway Development Commission

Meeting Minutes – March 17, 2011

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

<p>Voting Members Present: Town/Cities Clarksville - Greg Isgrigg(Proxy) Clarksville – Sam Gwyn Clarksville – Jim McCoskey Jeffersonville – Mayor Tom Galligan(Proxy) Jeffersonville – Philip Hendershot, Chair Jeffersonville – Wayne Estopinal(Proxy) New Albany – Mayor Doug England(Proxy) New Albany – Pat Leist-Stumler, Treasurer New Albany – Anne Banet (Proxy)</p> <p>Governor’s Appointees Clark County- Regina Overton, Vice-Chair Floyd County- Gary Libs</p> <p>Non-Voting Members Present: Jim Keith – So. Indiana Tourism Bureau</p>	<p>Proxies: Brian Kaluzny to Greg Isgrigg Brent Williams to Wayne Estopinal Brian Fogle to Mayor Tom Galligan Scott Wood to Mayor Doug England Letty Walter to Anne Banet</p> <p>Voting Members Absent w/o Proxy: None</p> <p>Non-Voting Members Absent Steve Knowles – DNR Jim Ude – INDOT Michael Dalby – One So. Indiana</p> <p>Project Staff Absent: Matt Schueler – USACE (on vacation)</p>
<p>Project Staff: Shaunna Graf – Project Coordinator</p>	<p>Members of the Community:</p>

Call to Order and Attendance

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

Old Business

Approval of Monthly Meeting Minutes

The February 17, 2011 meeting minutes were presented for approval. Gary Libs moved to accept the minutes with noted corrections. (Seconded by Brian Fogle.) The motion passed.

Treasurer’s Report

Pat Leist-Stumler reported as per the bank statements ending date of February 28, 2011.

The balance in the checking account is \$ 22,615.76

The money market account balance is \$ 153,066.71

The checks from all three communities have been received to date and deposited into the checking account.

The New Albany check was deposited on March 8, 2011 which will be reflected in the March checking account balance and verified at the April meeting.

The processing fee of \$554.00 noted in the claims is to be paid to the State Board of Accounts for the audit recently completed for three years. There was discussion about the need to amend the budget line item for the state board of accounts fee. The Steering Committee will review this at the April meeting

Claims

The claims for March 2011 were presented. Scott Wood moved to approve Claims 848 through 853 for a total of \$4203.82. (Seconded by Regina Overton.) The motion passed.

Claim #	Payable to	Claim	Amount	Budget Line Item
848	Shaunna Graf	Consulting Services - Shaunna Graf	\$3,105.00	1
849	Shaunna Graf	Reimbursables	\$242.28	2,7,10,12
850	Shaunna Graf	Mileage to Carmel IN for IPRA trails conf. and Greenway Found. Mtg	\$133.62	3
851	State Board of Accounts	Audit (2007, 2008 & 2009)	\$554.00	15
852	Becky Hutchens	Refreshments for Vision Session 2/24	\$85.07	5
853	Natural Concepts	Web Hosting (April, May, June)	75.00	8

Design and Construction -Project Update

Clarksville

Bailey West to Silver Creek Crossing (TE Project)

Brian Kaluzny stated Clarksville has confirmation the archeology report is at SHPO for review and will take 30 days to review. Clarksville is meeting with INDOT and KIPDA to discuss renegotiating/revise the schedule through the TE process now that the archeology report is completed to hopefully put forth a better schedule.

Ashland Park (USACE Project)

Brian K. reported the area under construction is very near completion. There will not be a lot of work between now and Thunder over Louisville. Light installation is the last major bit of work to be done before Thunder. The final asphalt coat won't go in until after thunder due to the landscaping not going in until then.

Jeffersonville

Big 4 – Design Update

Brian Fogle stated Jeffersonville is continuing to work on processes through INDOT to let this project by the end of 2011.

New Albany

Silver Creek to 18th Street (USACE Project)

Scott Wood reported weather has not allowed a lot of work to be done. Limestone block has been delivered.

18th to Scribner Place (INDOT Project)

Scott stated the INDOT procedures are not working in our favor. INDOT is not accepting the current FONSI from USACE for the project area and a new report would take 6 to 8 months. New Albany is going to work all possible solutions to this new issue. The risk is the time that it would take to do this report would make the STP funds being used for this segment go away. New Albany is hopeful to find a solution. The CMAQ funds would hopefully stay in place.

Community Outreach/Friends of the Greenway (FOG)

Trail Markers

No movement on this topic since the January 2011 Commission meeting.

Turf Party

Work continues on the Turf Party on the Greenway the Thursday evening before the Kentucky Derby. This is the first attempt at a fundraiser by the Friends of the Ohio River Greenway. The bands and vendors are secured and

Grant Application – American Water

Friends of the Ohio River Greenway are submitting an application for a grant opportunity with American Water to help remove hazardous materials from our water supply. The application is for purchasing pet waste stations to place along the completed segments of the Ohio River Greenway.

Finance and Funding

Phil Hendershot stated the committee did meet by conference call on March 4th. The TE funds available to our region were discussed as well as the process for making sure the Greenway is eligible. What came out of discussions at that meeting and continued discussions was that the Town of Clarksville is going to ask for additional funding for the Lewis and Clark Trail segment of the Ohio River Greenway.

Phil reported that Shaunna is working on a preliminary list of foundations to be approached for private funding. Phil encouraged commission members to offer suggestions on organizations to approach as well as helping to develop relationships with these interests.

Steering Committee

Phil stated the committee met on 3/8/2011 setting forth today's agenda. The USACE has responded to both the Commission and the Town of Clarksville regarding erosion along the riverbank in both communities. A face to face meeting is going to be setup very soon to go over this issue with the USACE. Scott asked that New Albany be included in the meeting.

Project Coordinator Report

Shaunna Graf reported the Vision Session in February was very helpful as to what the direction for the Ohio River Greenway Commission should be. Shaunna thanked Commission members for such a great level of representation. The summary from Rory Robinson was sent to Commission members, but Shaunna will send this out again electronically because several members had not noticed it attached to an email with other information.

Shaunna is working to get the issue of Monuments and Memorials along the Ohio River Greenway addressed in Jeffersonville. Councilman, Mike Smith has been contacted. Brian Fogle questioned the urgency and noted that funding or any other approvals have not been secured to place the memorial in question along the Jeffersonville segment. Brian F. requested that such efforts to secure a policy also be put forth in Clarksville and New Albany. The Commission discussed this and decided Shaunna will work with Clarksville and New Albany.

Shaunna reported the IPRA meeting in Carmel Indiana near Indianapolis was full of enthusiastic trails representatives. The information shared about ideas for marking the trail cheaply and the all volunteer Cardinal Greenway were areas Shaunna will pursue right away. One idea which sticks out is to have a progressive dinner along restaurant row in Jeffersonville.

The Greenways Foundation has asked Shaunna to be on their board. The Commission discussed the benefits and opportunities ultimately deciding this would be a good fit. Brian Fogle moved to allow Shaunna to become the Ohio River Greenway Commission's representative as a board member of the Greenways Foundation. (Pat Leist-Stumler seconded) The motion passed.

During the One Southern Indiana annual meeting, Mayor Greg Fischer mentioned the Ohio River Greenway 3 times in his appeal for regionalism.

Efforts to secure an intern through the River's Institute continue. A prospective intern will be meeting with Shaunna over her Spring Break during the first week of April.

Shaunna personally handed State Representative Ron Grooms the Ohio River Greenway Commission's charter and letter expressing the changes that are needed during the Leadership Southern Indiana Government and Law class day.

Shaunna presented the quotes from L&D Mail masters to print new brochures including an estimated \$175 for design fees. Brent Williams offered the design changes to be completed by The Estopinal Group as pro bono work. The Commission agreed to future costs up to \$2675 to print a new and larger brochure.

Shaunna Presentation to Jeffersonville Neighborhood Leadership Institute II at Anne's on the River on March 3rd. Participants were very engaged and were asking questions about information they had gathered elsewhere in the last few years about the project. It was very promising to know just how in tune the citizens are about the Ohio River Greenway.

Louis Eve donated 10 homemade bird houses to be placed along the Ohio River Greenway. Rod Goforth is leading the efforts this Saturday at 10 a.m. at the Loop Island Wetlands.


Public Comments

None.

Commission Comments

Phil noted the meeting in February with Representative Todd Young was very well received. The Commission was directed to look in the meetings packets at a hand written card Rep. Young sent. He stated he was very impressed with encouraged by the progress and remarked favorably about the Commission operating on a very efficient budget

Scott Wood noted that tonight the New Albany City Council will be considering the confirmatory resolution to add Scribner Place Phase II as recommended by the Redevelopment Commission. The project involves the City of New Albany either building or assisting in a public parking facility. The plaza as currently designed would go over Norfolk Southern and create a new plaza, a seating area for the amphitheater. It is part of a public access project that New Albany will be working with or without the USACE. The USACE has no objection for removing the 10 feet x 600 feet section of the levee to allow for gates. The series of gates would be put into place in the event of water levels rising and each one of the panels would be able to be interlocked together. Brian Fogle stated slugger field off of Main Street in Louisville has the same sort of setup.



Signed by: Philip Hendershot, Commission Chair

4/21/11

Date

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