



**Ohio River Greenway Development Commission**  
Meeting Minutes – March 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 (Proxy)          New Albany – Mayor Doug England(Proxy)          New Albany – Pat Leist-Stumler          Governor’s Appointee for Floyd County- Gary          Libs          New Albany – Anne Banet</p> <p><b>Non-Voting Members Present:</b>          Steve Knowles – DNR          Michael Dalby – One Southern Indiana          (Proxy)          Jim Keith – Southern Indiana Tourism Bureau          Jim Ude – INDOT</p>	<p><b>Proxies:</b>          Rick Dickman to Greg Isgrigg          Jim Urban to Mayor Tom Galligan          Scott Wood to Mayor Doug England          Brent Williams to Wayne Estopinal</p> <p><b>Voting Members Absent w/o Proxy:</b>          Governor’s Appointee for Clark          County- Regina Overton</p> <p><b>Non-Voting Members Absent w/o          Proxy</b>          Tonya Fischer to Michael Dalby</p>
<p><b>Project Staff:</b>          Shaunna Graf – Project Coordinator          Matt Schuler – USACE</p>	<p><b>Members of the Community:</b>          Brian Fogle, Brian Kaluzny</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 February minutes. Rick Dickman moved to accept the minutes with the noted corrections. Gary Libs seconded. The motion passed.

**Treasurer’s Report**

Pat Leist-Stumler reported as per the bank statements dated February 27, 2009. The money market account balance is \$153,782.22. The checking account balance is \$32,037.61. All three communities have made their contributions to the project. Jim noted that the presentations made to each of the councils as well as the overall visibility the project has received made the processing of the contributions go smoothly. Gary Libs and Anne Banet both commented that the work of the Shaunna Graf, project coordinator

should be commended. Pat Leist-Stumler stated she would like to wait until April’s meeting to recommend the movement of funds from the checking account into either a CD or the Money Market. A motion to approve the claims was made by Jim Urban (seconded by Anne Banet.) Motion passed.

Claim	Payable to	Description	Amount	Line Item
766	Shaunna Graf	Consulting Services - Shaunna Graf	\$3,000.00	1
767	Shaunna Graf	Reimbursable – Wireless Remote for laptop, spray paint for trail marking	\$58.08	7,9

**Project Update**

**New Albany**

Bank Stabilization/Greenway Features - Scott Wood stated the final work along Scribner place is moving right along. Pavement and trees will be finished soon – pending weather. Scott noted vandalism is continuing. A celebration is being planned likely sometime at the end of May. Phil Hendershot noted the damage to entrance sign at 6<sup>th</sup> Street. Scott stated that Commonwealth has been contacted and will repair.

**Clarksville**

Levee Trail (Interpretive Center to George Rogers Clark Park) – Brian Kaluzny stated he is hand carrying the design plans with specs to the USACE today to begin the review process. The complete plans had not been submitted previously because Clarksville extended the trail to include the CSX railroad no longer in use.

Bailey/Silver Creek Crossing (Bailey Ave. to West side of Silver Creek) – The KIPDA TIP has been amended and the NTP from INDOT is expected any day.

**Jeffersonville**

Big 4 Design Contract - Jim Urban stated that HNTB is working on Big4 Indiana Design and landing. The anticipated plan is a 3 month window for conceptual design and early coordination with SHPPO and other regulatory bodies. The goal is still by end of year to have completed design work and to proceed to construction documents. The Big 4 Bridge has gone through section 106 historical review making the design process approval faster. The decking on the bridge became a finding of significant impact because it was changing the railroad tracks to concrete, but we should be able to mitigate that fairly easily. Louisville has requested Federal Stimulus funding for FHWA for the Big 4 Bridge.

**Greenway Design Efforts for 2009** – Philip Hendershot stated the effort to get the designer on board for the remainder of the Greenway project continues. The RFP is in the USACE legal process and will go out as early as Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Once the RFP is issued, the designer has 30 days to get proposal in for review. USACE is still holding 5/22/09 for awarding the contract.

### **Project Coordinator Report**

Shaunna Graf reported setting up a meeting with the federal congressional representatives will need to be later in the year, perhaps during the summer. Shaunna reported the Non-profit meets Profit expo hosted by One Southern Indiana is April 23<sup>rd</sup> and would cost \$149.00 for the Greenway Commission to have a table. Jim Urban motioned to approve the expenditure. Jane Sarles seconded the motion. Motion passed.

### **Community Outreach**

Steve Knowles stated the Future Route of the Ohio River Greenway trail markers have started to be installed in Clarksville. Steve Knowles is spear heading this with crews from the State Park.

Shaunna also reported that she has begun work on putting displays in each of the city halls and libraries. Shaunna presented a quote for the cost of these materials. The commission approved the estimated \$1,985.00 for the displays.

### **Events**

The 5K for 2009 will take place in New Albany. The date has not been finalized. Shaunna is working with the New Albany/Floyd County Parks Department to get a date and possibly make the organization of the race easier.

### **Finance and Funding**

The commission reviewed the project financial status as presented. Jim Urban updated the Commission as to how the stimulus money is to be distributed in Indiana. INDOT is the state agency, our MPO is KIPDA. The guaranteed stimulus money - 3.9 million is available. KIPDA divides among the communities and can only program as many projects as funding is available. The \$350,000 for the Greenway down ramp on the riverfront in Jeffersonville is shovel ready and on the list but was not added to this year's TIP. The City of Jeffersonville during negotiations with all KIPDA partners had to take the down ramp off of the TIP list due to other priorities such as road projects and other community projects. However, the down ramp can be a part of the next round and could move up list if others fall off. The down ramp is still on the list for TE funds.

A DNR Grant for trails for up to \$150,000 is available with a May application submittal. The Finance and Funding committee has begun discussing the focus for the application.

## **Events Committee**

### **5K 2009**

Shaunna reported that the 5K for 2009 will not take place in May. Work has begun with the New Albany Floyd County Parks Department to have a joint effort for the event.

## **Public Comments**

### **Commission Comments**

Shaunna stated the Chronology of the Ohio River Greenway will be posted to the website.

The Commission discussed Shaunna's attendance in the Leadership Southern Indiana program for 2009-2010. Jim Urban, Rick Dickman, Anne Banet and Gary Libs all agreed it was worth considering. The Commission will come to a final decision in April.

Phil Hendershot reported that a conference call was held with each community represented to discuss the needed match for the \$957,000 in Federal Funds awarded per Congress for FY 2009. Currently, between now and September 30<sup>th</sup> we have money in hand to start design work for the base segment in New Albany. If no extra money is needed to design the base contract, the \$957,000 will be used to design the pieces that we have prioritized as options for the design contract. Local funds will need to be committed so the \$957,000 is allocated. Matt Schueler estimated between \$100,000 and \$200,000 per community would be needed to get design started on these segments that have been prioritized.

Shaunna reported that she will be filling out a form from Congressman Baron Hill's offices for FY 2010 for \$3 Million as per discussions with each community. Jim stated that this request is feasible for \$1 Million to be matched by each community. through The form will be submitted on Friday with the request emphasizing construction of the features currently on the block for design in 2009.

The meeting was adjourned.