



**Ohio River Greenway Development Commission**  
Meeting Minutes – April 16, 2009

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

<p><b>Voting Members Present:</b>          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          Governor’s Appointee for Floyd County- Gary          Libs (Proxy)          New Albany – Anne Banet (Proxy)          Governor’s Appointee for Clark County-          Regina Overton</p> <p><b>Non-Voting Members Present:</b>          Steve Knowles – DNR          Michael Dalby – One Southern Indiana          (Proxy)          Jim Keith – Southern Indiana Tourism Bureau</p>	<p><b>Proxies:</b>          Brian Fogle to Mayor Tom Galligan          Scott Wood to Mayor Doug England          Brent Williams to Wayne Estopinal          Irvin Stumler to Anne Banet          Tonya Fischer to Michael Dalby</p> <p><b>Voting Members Absent w/o Proxy:</b>          Clarksville – Gilbert Campbell</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></p>

**Call to Order and Attendance**

Philip Hendershot, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m. and proceeded with taking attendance.

**Approval of Monthly Meeting Minutes**

The Commission reviewed the March minutes. Rick Dickman moved to accept the minutes with the noted corrections. Jane Sarles seconded. The motion passed.

**Treasurer’s Report**

Pat Leist-Stumler reported as per the bank statements dated March 31, 2009. The money market account balance is \$153,887.05. The checking account balance is \$52,979.53. Pat recommended the Commission transfer \$20,000 from the checking account to the Money Market Account. Pat reported that it would be a temporary move of money to the Money

Market Account. Philip Hendershot clarified that the money would be moved temporarily and that the Commission could move it back into the checking account as needed for future use. A motion was entered by Gary Libs (seconded by Brent Williams) to move \$20,000 from the checking account. The motion passed. A motion to approve the April claims was entered by Brian Fogle (seconded by Jane Sarles.) The motion passed.

Phil notes that the money from the Aegon Foundation which is earmarked for the Big 4 Bridge is included in the Greenway Money Market Account balance.

Claim	Payable to	Description	Amount	Line Item
768	Shaunna Graf	Consulting Services - Shaunna Graf	\$3,000.00	1
769	Shaunna Graf	Reimbursable – postcards, non profit booth fee, parking fees, luncheon and ink cartridges	\$313.61	2,7, 9,12
770	Natural Concepts	Web Hosting Services April, May, June 2009	75.00	8

### **Project Update**

#### **New Albany**

Scribner Place II (Bank Stabilization/Greenway Features)

Scott Wood stated work is essentially complete. A walk through/final inspection will be scheduled. Phil asked if Sasaki would be there. Matt was unsure if Sasaki has ever been to review Phase II construction. Scott stated that the walk through is majorly for the bank stabilization review rather than Greenway features designed by Sasaki.

#### **Clarksville**

Shaunna reported she spoke with Brian on the phone to offer the following summary.

Levee Trail (Interpretive Center to George Rogers Clark Park) The drawings for the Levee Trail went through the USACE’s review and comments were received. The A&E firm will meet with the USACE (Chris Neutz) on 4/17/09 to go over comments.

Bailey West to Silver Creek Trail - INDOT has to amend the state improvement plan. INDOT has to do this and this is not something the Commission could have driven. There is no projected date available from INDOT but they have indicated it would take place in April. The amending of the KIPDA was a separate item.

## **Jeffersonville**

### **Big 4 Design Contract**

Brian Fogle stated Jeffersonville is in the contractual phase with HNTB for conceptual design. The contract with Jeffersonville and INDOT for the TE funds goes before Jeffersonville's Board of Works on April 29<sup>th</sup>. There is a definite date for community input at a public meeting to be held Saturday June 6<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (Currently scheduled at 300 Spring St., Jeffersonville.) Jim Urban stated that a pre-conference meeting will start at 9 a.m. to meet with the consultants to get everyone up to speed on the project. In conversations with HNTB the goal is to only take 3 months to get from concept to drawings. Once the concept drawings are complete, then Jeffersonville will renegotiate with HNTB for design documents.

### **Big 4 Bridge Funding**

Louisville Waterfront Development Corporation has stated they will look for the funding for the Big 4 Bridge in other places rather than the FHWA for stimulus money. The City of Louisville could allocate stimulus dollars.

## **Greenway Design Efforts for 2009**

The USACE contract with the A&E firm is within the USACE legal department and will soon be released to the A&E firm with a request for proposal. Philip stated design efforts will definitely begin in New Albany starting middle to late June. The other options can be started at any time if money becomes available.

## **Project Coordinator Report**

### **Earth Day at the Falls of the Ohio**

Shaunna Graf reported she setup the Ohio River Greenway Commission's display at the Falls of the Ohio's Earth Day Celebration on Saturday, April, 11<sup>th</sup>. Shaunna handed out post cards indicating the planned segments of multi-use trail slated for completion by 2011. Shaunna reported several people who had stopped by to see the display in 2008 said to keep up the good work.

### **Non-Profit meets profit Expo**

Shaunna reported the Non-Profit Expo had a heavy trail of visitors to the Greenway Display.

### **Southern Indiana Leadership**

Shaunna reviewed the Southern Indiana Leadership Program and reported the application would need to be submitted by May 20<sup>th</sup>, therefore, the Commission would need to act this meeting if they would like to send Shaunna to attend the class for the 2009-2010 year. Jim Urban stated he is a graduate of the program and it is very beneficial whether for businesses or governmental entities. Jim stated one of the programs values is the

relationship building in connecting with the other active community members. Brian Fogle stated he also supports the idea and made a motion to send Shaunna to attend the 2010 Class of Leadership Southern Indiana and approve the tuition expense. Rick Dickman seconded the motion. Rick said this was a forum to put the Greenway out to other people. Scott Wood agreed with all of the benefits, but expressed concern in sending a private contractor rather than a full-time employee. Rick stated even though Shaunna is a paid contractor that she represents the Greenway. Phil asked if the application would be filled out as the Greenway. Shaunna confirmed that it would. Jim noted the Business Development line item expenses in the operating budget would cover the cost of the program. There was some discussion regarding record keeping for the state board of accounts. Rick stated that this is the use of Greenway money for business development and didn't see the state board of accounts having a problem with it. Brian Fogle amended his motion to include that this expense is for business development within the local community. The motion was called to question. Motion passed.

### **Community Outreach**

#### **Trail Markers**

Steve Knowles reported that the trail markers have been installed along Emery Crossing Road and near the Interpretive Center. He stated that weather impeded the installation on top of the flood levee, but that he has a goal to have all Clarksville markers installed by 5/29.

#### **Friends of the Greenway**

Steve reported that a form is now available on the website for interested individuals to sign up and have the information e-mailed directly to the Greenway e-mail account, which is forwarded to Shaunna.

#### **Displays in Town/City Halls and Libraries with Brochure**

Steve stated work continues to gain the necessary approvals to place the displays and design the displays and brochures.

#### **Cyclist Group Donate Proceeds of Bike Tour to Benefit ORG - 9.12.09**

Steve reported a bicycle group wants to have a bike tour to raise money to benefit the Greenway. They want to make sure it is okay that they put a link on their website and show the Greenway as their cause. Shaunna stated she has had a couple of conversations with Steve Wilkinson, who is not asking for any monetary contribution from the Commission. Jane Sarles moved that the Commission allow the Fat Boy Bikers to use the Greenway as their cause and graciously accept their money. Pat Leist Stumler seconded. Motion passed.

### Ribbon Cutting/Ground Breaking

Steve reported the ribbon cutting and ground breaking ceremonies are currently in the planning phase. The Commission and the Clarksville Historical Society are coordinating the ground breaking event in Clarksville and hike from Clark Cabin to Interpretive Center. The Commission needs to approve the purchase of postage and printing for post cards to be sent out for the event. Jane Sarles made motion to approve \$240.00 for postcards and postage. Pat Leist-Stumler seconded. There was some discussion regarding the cost of postage stamp increasing, however, the invitations are set to go out before the increase. Motion passed.

### Events

The 5K for 2009 will take place in New Albany. The date has not been finalized but is tentatively set at 9.26.09. Shaunna is working with the New Albany/Floyd County Parks Department to make the organization of the race easier.

Shaunna also mentioned the Commission should consider having a backup for all of the information stored on the Commission's laptop. Gary Libs moved (Jane Sarles seconded) to approve \$100 or less to purchase a back up hard drive to be used for the Commission laptop and any necessary encryption software. Motion passed.

### Finance and Funding

Jim Urban stated that there is not any update on the stimulus funds from the last Commission meeting.

Matt Schueler stated the local communities need to be focused on the match required for the \$957,000 from the FY 2009 Federal Budget. Phil stated the spreadsheet to keep track of the credits also needs to be updated. Phil stated that the goal should be at the end of the second quarter the Commission needs to know the credits to apply for in FY 2009, noting the amount of cash needed will factor into the equation also. Matt stated that the USACE could look into the current credits which have been applied.

The DNR RTP Grant for trails for up to \$150,000 is available with a May 1<sup>st</sup> application submittal. The DNR RTP program is focused on getting the trail on the ground and \$150,000 will not get much linear footage for the Greenway. After discussing the parameters of the grant and the best benefit for the Greenway, the Design and Construction Committee recommended the Commission supporting an application New Albany is submitting for a trail roughly a mile away from the Greenway. The Commission agreed.

The meeting was adjourned.