

OHIO RIVER



GREENWAY
DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Ohio River Greenway Development Commission Meeting Minutes – September 17, 2009

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

<p>Voting Members Present: Town/Cities 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 New Albany – Anne Banet Governor’s Appointees Clark County- Regina Overton Floyd County- Gary Libs (Proxy) Non-Voting Members Present: Steve Knowles – DNR (Proxy) Michael Dalby – One So. Indiana (Proxy)</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 Melissa Wilson to Gary Libs Tonya Fischer to Michael Dalby Bett Etenohan to Steve Knowles</p> <p>Voting Members Absent w/o Proxy:</p> <p>Non-Voting Members Absent Jim Ude – INDOT Jim Keith – So. Indiana Tourism Bureau Project Staff Absent</p>
<p>Project Staff: Shaunna Graf – Project Coordinator Matt Schueler - USACE</p>	<p>Members of the Community: Keith Baumann, Al Goodman Sheryl Yoder</p>

Call to Order and Attendance

Philip Hendershot, Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m. and proceeded with taking attendance.

Approval of Monthly Meeting Minute

The August 20, 2009 Meeting Minutes were presented for approval. Brian Fogle moved to approve the August 20, 2009 minutes. (Pat Leist-Stumler seconded) The motion passed.

Treasurer’s Report

Pat Leist-Stumler reported as per the bank statements dated August 31, 2009.

The money market account balance is \$ 174,365.57

The balance in the checking account is \$ 14,140.27

Pat stated one of the claims is regarding the AEGON Foundation funds in the Money Market Account being held for the Big 4 Bridge project. The \$40,000 from the Money Market Account would be transferred into the checking account to be issued to the City of Jeffersonville for claim 792. Jane Sarles asked about the \$30,000 the Commission

loaned the City of Jeffersonville for lighting in 2007. Brian Fogle stated he would follow up on getting the funds reimbursed and have issue resolved by next meeting. The claims for September were presented. A motion to approve claims 787 to 792 was entered by Brian Kaluzny (seconded by Jane Sarles). The motion passed.

Claim	Payable to	Description	Amount	Line Item
787	Shaunna Graf	Consulting Services - Shaunna Graf	\$3,000.00	1
788	Shaunna Graf	Printing 2 Miler mailers, posters, applications	\$67.07	11
789	Electric City	2 Miler Bibs and Finish Cards	\$179.76	11
790	Natural Concepts	Oct., Nov., Dec. web hosting fees	\$75.00	8
791	Insuramax	Event insurance for ORG 2 Miler	\$379.00	11
792	City of Jeffersonville	AEGON Foundation funds for Big 4 Bridge	\$40,000	n/a

Project Update

Clarksville – Levee /Lewis and Clark Trail (Governor’s Grant)

Brian Kaluzny stated work has begun on the Lewis and Clark Trail in the area near Midway Park. Work will begin on September 20th on the levee trail segment within the Greenway corridor. All work is to be completed no later than December.

Clarksville – Bailey West to Silver Creek Crossing (TE Project)

Brian K. reported archeological test pits have been completed along the route from Emery Crossing Road to Mill Creek Bridge. Test pits will continue in the fields surrounding the Lewis and Clark Park area on September 28th. The archeological findings may impact the route of the trail and the type of materials used for the trail. It could delay the trail in the long run, but it also is documenting the cultural resources of this area.

Jeffersonville – Big 4 (Design Update)

Brian Fogle handed out designs of the current plan for the Big 4 Bridge ramp in Jeffersonville. This is a refinement of the Heritage concept presented to the Commission last month. This option is also pursuing a full opening at the flood wall at Mulberry reopening that entry way for pedestrians and vehicles. A TIGER grant application has been filed for \$15 Million alone on the Indiana side of the Big 4. If highly competitive national grant were awarded to the Big 4 Project it would mostly go to the Big 4 Bridge Ramp. Money could also be spent on the Mulberry Street corridor improvements.

Jeffersonville – Middle Connector

Brian F. stated the Middle Connector topic had been removed from August agenda because INDOT had stated Jeffersonville could not use their funds to leverage USACE stimulus funds. This led Jeffersonville to not pursue the Middle Connector. However, INDOT released a new statement in September that the INDOT funds could be used to match federal stimulus funds. Brian F. and Matt Schueler are meeting directly following the commission meeting to discuss the details of getting the Middle Connector ready to let by October 21, 2009.

Greenway Design and New Construction Efforts for 2009

Phil Hendershot stated the USACE contract proposal is under negotiations with the second firm. There are no problems thus far. There is expectation the contract will be signed by the end of September. This would kick off design work on the base segment in New Albany from the K&I bridge to the Western Silver Creek edge. Options 1-4 can be pursued if the local municipalities can put forth the needed matching funds. Once the A&E firm has the estimated design costs, each community will be issued a letter from the Commission.

Project Coordinator Report

Friends of the Greenway

Shaunna Graf reported the directors of the Friends of the Greenway are working to complete a Website and setup the appropriate banking and accounting systems. Once the website is completed an official press release kicking off the Friends of the Ohio River Greenway will be issued.

Pet Waste Containers

Shaunna reported Jeffersonville's storm water management program would like to install two pet waste containers along the completed Jeffersonville Restaurant Row segment. Brian F. presented the pet waste station to the Commission and stated maintaining the cleanup would a responsibility of the city of Jeffersonville. As part of the storm water agreement that Jeffersonville has in order, it states that all possible sources of polluting the waterways need to be put into effect. Jeffersonville has purchased these two pet waste stations and will perform the installations. Shaunna noted that for continuity this is the pet waste management system that would be used all along completed segments of the Greenway. Scott Wood moved to accept the installation of the pet waste stations. (Regina Overton seconded) The motion passed.

Advisory Committee Reports

Community Outreach

Shaunna stated the trail markers have been installed in Clarksville and Jeffersonville. New Albany has begun to install the trail markers. Work continues on the final designs of the public displays and brochure.

Events Committee

Shaunna reported the Ohio River Greenway 2 Miler is on September 29, 2009. Shaunna suggested the Commission approve placement of an ad into the Tribune and Evening News thanking the hosts and sponsors of the Tour de Pork. The Commission discussed having an ad to

thank the hosts and sponsors of the Tour de Pork as well as the partners and sponsors of the Ohio River Greenway 2 Miler. Jane Sarles moved to approve a thank you not to exceed \$600 for thank a ¼ page ad for both of the events. The ad would run the weekend immediately after the 2 Miler. (Anne Banet seconded) The motion passed.

Shaunna stated the Harvest Homecoming booth days are October 8, 9, 10, 11 and the City of New Albany is inviting us to share their booth again. Shaunna distributed a sign-up sheet for volunteers.

Finance and Funding

Brian Fogle stated that this committee needs to revisit the meeting date and trying to do everything by teleconference. What Brian proposes is that the committee meeting should be moved. Phil asked if there was a standing number that can be used by any of the cities. Melissa offered go to meeting.com

Steering Committee

Attendance Policy

The policy was reviewed and there were suggestions to revise the policy. Phil Hendershot stated that this will be taken back to the Committee.

Amending Charter

Phil reported there is a need to revise the Ohio River Greenway charter. Primarily removing Development from the title of the organization as well as resolving the semi-governmental status of the organization, the ability to seek funding, obtain a reliable source of funding through the general assembly and the ability to contact each other via e-mail about items of discussion. The Commission agreed work should begin to amend the charter.

Public Comments

Al Goodman stated he would question the safety issues of having a bike ride and the run/walk on the same trail. Al stated the Commission should offer some direction to the Friends Organization as to offering some items that could help in getting the group started. Al stated areas he sees which need to be addressed are adding exercise equipment on the Greenway and having a brochure. Al also asked if the Louisville's MSD had plans to utilize \$600,000 in settlement money for the K&I bridge.

Commission Comments

Bett Etenohan reported the improvements to the Boat Ramp at the Falls of the Ohio will be going forward due to \$240,000 in state funds to be utilized to match the \$500,000 Federal Fish and Wildlife funds. Phil Hendershot stated this is a worthwhile investment and it would also be good to keep this portion of Clarksville the riverfront from being destabilized. This boat ramp adds more incentive to work with the USACE to combat the erosion of the Clarksville and New Albany shoreline.

Pat Leist Stumler asked Scott to give update on overgrowth/undergrowth along the river impeding the view along the newly improved segment in New Albany. Scott stated flood control is currently in process of certifying the levee with FEMA. By June of 2010 they will pursue getting rid of the overgrowth/undergrowth. Scott suggested putting the discussion back on the Commission agenda in April.

The meeting was adjourned.