

Ohio River Greenway Development Commission

Minutes for May 18, 2006

Attendance:

Present: Anne Banet
Valla Ann Bolovschak
Gilbert Campbell
Phillip Hendershot
Scott Wood for James Garner
Elmer Hoehn
Pat Leist
Brian Kaluzny for John Minta
Jane Sarles
Chester Hicks for Mayor Waiz

Absent: Wayne Estopinal and Steve Knowles

Also present: Rick Dickman, Greenway Coordinator, Matt Schueler, Army Corps of Engineers

The meeting was called to order by Phillip Hendershot at 12:02 PM

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

A motion was made by Scott Wood and seconded by Valla Ann Bolovschak to accept the minutes of April 20, 2006. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurers Report:

Pat Leist reported that the previously approved claim and check #670 has been voided this was done as a result of Clarksville's request that the amount owed to Cinergy for the lights on Mill Creek Bridge be paid directly to Cinergy rather than to the Town.

The original claim and check were for a total of \$17,616 dollars. The new claim will be for the same amount, but paid directly to Cinergy on behalf of the Town.

Pat reported the balances in the Greenway accounts:

March 2006:

Money Market	103,968.53
Checking	8,973.78

April 2006:

Money Market	86,560.84
Checking	26,234.97

Claim numbers 667, 668, 669 and 671, 672, and 673 were presented for approval.

A motion to approve claims 667, 668, 669 and 671, 672, and 673 was made by Ann Banet and seconded by Jane Sarles. The motion carried unanimously.

New Albany:

- Matt reported on items in the activity sheets
- The spreadsheet for New Albany is ongoing
- The design would include separate construction without doing work in the area that needs erosion repair. Matt stated the bid package would be completed.
- The swings requested could be modified from the existing benches allowing a canopy over the benches. Cost share is still a question that needs to be answered.
- Scott reported that he has received a model of correspondence from Jeffersonville on acquiring the TE money necessary for the New Albany project. He thanked Chester Hicks for the assistance.
- Matt reported that the erosion design needs to be addressed
- Matt reported questions on the type of lighting used on top of the levee. He reported that the SHPO had no major concerns on the design.
- Matt requested information on the bridge abutments as they are slated to be demolished. Scott indicated he would contact the Mayor for his input. The SHPO's office did not have a comment as to if they are historic in nature.
- Matt reported that a final decision has to be made on the bidding for the project. Full and open or using the small business set aside. Scott said he would contact the Mayor for potential meeting dates.
- Scott said the City has completed the title work and has identified four parcels that there seems to be no documentation on. At least one of these parcels is within the project limits. The City is attempting to secure a quit claim deed on this property.

- Scott stated that he felt the appraisal work will be completed by the next Greenway Commission Meeting in June.

Matt reported that the real estate must be certified before an advertisement for bids can be accomplished. This will require the appraisal amount to be approved by the COE.

Matt and Phil stated the goal is to have the real estate paperwork to the Corps by June 15th and have the real estate certified by July 1, 2006.

Jeffersonville:

- Matt reported on the activity sheet
- Spreadsheet is ongoing
- Most other items have been completed
- Matt stated a notice to proceed has been given to contractor
- Matt reported that a meeting has been set for “pre-construction” - the date is May 25 in the Mayor’s office
- Chester reported that the cities responsibilities have been or are being met – including the additional 50,000 dollars owed by the city.

Chester questioned the lack of progress on getting construction underway. Matt stated that the contractor has one year to complete the project and that starting dates and other issues will be discussed at the Pre-Construction meeting.

Phil reminded the Commission that one of the options on a walkway connecting a portion of the upper and lower trail still needs action by the Mayor.

Design for New Albany “Erosion Section”

Bank stabilization project in New Albany needs to be designed. This is a 500 foot section segmenting the New Albany project area. Valla Ann reported that the Steering Committee unanimously recommended that the Commission agree to cost share the design cost of this stabilization project with the Corps.

Valla Ann made a motion that the Greenway Commission approves participation in funding the design of the stabilization area in New Albany at a total cost not to exceed \$62,000 dollars. The motion was seconded by Pat Leist.

In discussion Scott asked if the city was to be responsible for any cost. Phil and Matt indicated that the design was to be done in house and the cost share will be the Greenway Commission’s responsibility using Greenway money. The Commission voted unanimously to proceed.

Public Comments:

none

Commission Comments:

Valla Ann reported a letter supporting the K and I Bridge connection was sent to Wick Norman of Norfolk Southern.

Administrative Issues:

The Steering Committee will meet June 8, 2006 at 4:00 p.m. at the Convention and Tourism Bureau. The next regular Commission meeting will be June 15, 2006 at noon.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 1:08 PM.