



Ohio River Greenway Development Commission
Meeting Minutes – May 15, 2008

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

<p>Voting Members Present: Clarksville – Jane Sarles Clarksville – Paul Kraft (Proxy) Clarksville – Gil Campbell Jeffersonville – Mayor Tom Galligan(Proxy) Jeffersonville – Wayne Estopinal(Proxy) Jeffersonville – Philip Hendershot New Albany – Mayor Doug England(Proxy) New Albany – Anne Banet New Albany – Pat Leist-Stumler Governor’s Appointee for Clark County- Elmer Hoehn (Proxy)</p> <p>Non-Voting Members Present: Steve Knowles – DNR</p>	<p>Proxies: Trish Fraser to Paul Kraft Scott Wood to Mayor Doug England Jim Urban to Mayor Tom Galligan Dana Young to Elmer Hoehn Brent Williams to Wayne Estopinal</p> <p>Voting Members Absent w/o Proxy:</p> <p>Non-Voting Members Absent w/o Proxy: Governor’s Appointee for Floyd County - not yet appointed INDOT Chamber of Commerce</p> <p>Project Staff absent:</p>
<p>Project Staff: Shaunna Graf – Project Coordinator Matt Schueler - USACE</p>	<p>Members of the Community:</p>

Call to Order and Attendance

Philip Hendershot, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m. and proceeded with taking attendance.

Approval of April Meeting Minutes

Trish Fraser moved to approve the minutes as edited by Jim Urban. Pat Leist Stumler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Treasurer’s Report

Pat Leist-Stumler stated the money market account balance as of the bank statement dated April 30, 2008 is \$113,291.14. The checking account balance as of that same date is \$16,615.93. The checking account balance does not reflect the \$12,000 from Clarksville as recently deposited. After some discussion a motion was made by Jim Urban to approve the claims as presented and was seconded by Trish Fraser. The motion passed. Shaunna Graf reviewed the monthly report of the operating budget.

Claim #	Payable to	Description	Amount
725	Shaunna Graf	Consulting Services - Shaunna Graf	\$2,500.00
726	Shaunna Graf	One Southern IN meet legislators event, office supplies, projector, projector screen, computer software	\$1129.32

Gala Financial Report

Phil Hendershot addressed the reasoning for having Charlie Martin of Event Concepts approach the Commission about the Gala and the cancellation. The Commission would have heard from Charlie Martin and Bill Beam at last month's commission meeting, however, there was a misunderstanding about the time of last month's meeting. Charlie and Bill thought the meeting was at 4:00 p.m. rather than 12:00 p.m. Charlie presented a brief summary of how the event came to be what it was and why it did not come off as a success. Charlie's main concern is to make sure that everyone understands how decisions were made. Event Concepts is standing by the agreement made with the Commission that all financial obligations are the responsibility of Event Concepts. Charlie Martin stated all refunds have been satisfied, everyone has received their money back.

Jim Urban and Phil Hendershot expressed that the reasoning behind the event being cancelled was purely due to financial constrictions. Anne Banet stated that there was a concerted effort from the Commission to sell the tickets at \$500, but it was not successful. Charlie Martin stated that Sponsorship should have been the first thing Event Concepts pursued rather than the ticket sales. Charlie asked the Greenway Commission to consider a recognition letter of what has been done by Event Concepts for the event. Phil Hendershot stated that he was impressed with the business model and the effort going to the Gala and the Commission is very saddened by the loss of Event Concepts and sorry that the way this worked out for a business. Anne Banet concurred with Phil's expressions and stated Event Concepts carried forward with fulfilling the obligations under the contract which was signed.

New Albany Environmental/Construction

Scott Wood presented a summary of Greenway work in New Albany. The City of New Albany has identified about 40% of the matching funds for the sheet failure area based on estimate of \$1.5 million to fix and rebuild park amenities. Scott and Shaunna met with IDEM on the site to review the fast tracking of the Phase II environmental. Matt Schueler will work with USACE engineering to have another meeting with N.A. to update the cost and keep the costs down toward the 1.5 million. Due to the road failure there may need to be more materials brought in to connect the two pieces. Phil asked if there is a contingency built into the bid process for environmental issues. Matt Schueler said he would work to have the contractors bid knowing mitigation efforts might be needed. The New Albany Greenway entrance sign is cost shareable and the USACE will be getting a price for traffic signs on Greenway. The final walk-through will be soon with Varoujian Hagopian, Sasaki, Inc. Shaunna stated that a work order from the USACE is needed for Commonwealth Sign Company to begin construction on the sign. The New Albany street department or flood control can remove the existing concrete sign.

Project Coordinator Report

Advisory Committees

Finance and Funding - August 1st is USACE deadline for having matching money for reprogrammed funds. Members of Finance and Funding Committee outside of the Commission would be asked for advice and expertise, not action oriented. Commission will have actions.

Community Outreach Committee – Main focus currently is a project called Connect the Dots which includes marking the Greenway path (current and proposed)

Events Committee - Need a chair

Goal of 1 hour for each meeting.

Website

NOTE –\$1000.00 is the cost for revamping the website to include new features. Troy McCormick of Natural Concepts will be performing the revamping of the website.

Annual Report to Communities (Invoices)

I am waiting to hear back from New Albany regarding appropriate work sessions. We are in receipt of Clarksville's operating fund commitment of \$12,000 as well as Jeffersonville's \$12,000 now that the annual report review has been presented to both.

TPI – Brownfields Program

May 19th Phase I June 25th Phase II results (report at later date)

Table Top Display

The use of the newly purchased table top display was a great success at the Earth Day Celebration April 19th at Falls of the Ohio State Park. People were interested in purchasing T-shirts and blankets. The plan is to have them available at the 5K Race.

Floyd County Appointee

The goal for a new appointment is to be made in time for the June 19th Commission meeting.

Greenways Foundation Contract

We can receive gifts but the donor cannot get tax deductible donation unless a pass-through account is set up through a foundation such as the Greenways Foundation. Jim Urban asked to review passing the money through the Jeffersonville parks department for use on the Greenway. Jim Urban made a motion to approve and execute the contract. Jane Sarles seconded the motion. Discussion took place. The motion passed.

Commission Comments

Jane Sarles commented that the booth at the Earth Day Celebration was a big hit. The big questions were "where is the Greenway?" and "when is the Greenway going to be finished?" Also, there was a lot of interest in how T-shirts and blankets could be purchased.

Jim Urban stated that the Request for Proposal for the Big 4 Bridge is 95 % complete and then INDOT will get responses for the alternative ramp. There was a meeting Tuesday at Louisville Waterfront Development Corporation. Part of the process for the Big 4 is to go through approval of State Historic Preservation Office. The Bridge is eligible for listing on the National Registry of Historic places. The placement of guard rails is one issue due to the National Registry edibility. USACE's response will address any issues regarding historical mitigation efforts.

Trish Fraser moved to adjourn. Anne Banet seconded.