



Turkey River Recreational Corridor Meeting Minutes

December 5th, 2017 – 6:30 p.m.
Elgin Public Library – Elgin, Iowa

Present: Kenny Slocum, Jennifer Cowsert, Sharon Harris, Jon deNeui, Dina Taylor, Janell Bradley, Rod Marlatt, and Carrie Davis

Not Present: *, Roger Buchholz, and Alex Popenhagen

*Note: No current representative has been appointed by the Clayton County Supervisors to serve on the TRRC board.

Others Present: Mallory Hanson, Sheryl Struthers, and Jenna Pollock

The meeting was called to order at 6:29pm by Rod Marlatt.

**Motion to approve the agenda by Harris, second by Bradley. Approved.

The minutes from the November 2017 meeting minutes were reviewed.

**Motion to approve the November 2017 minutes by Slocum, second by Harris. Approved.

Projects:

- a. TRRC Trail Expansion-TRRC Director reported that the Iowa Great Places grant award will be announced by December 22nd, 2017.
- b. Clermont Depot Structural Stabilization-TRRC Director submitted a \$10,000 Fayette County Community Foundation request on behalf of the Clermont Historical Society.
- c. TRRC Promotional Video-TRRC Director submitted a \$6,000 Fayette County Community Foundation request
- d. The group continued discussion about a UMGC grant request to focus on Clayton County Trout Fishing Guides.

Regional Enhancement Grants: The group discussed regional enhancement grant plans. Applications will likely be available in January and due in March. Fayette and Clayton County Conservation both intend to submit applications.

Annual Report and Financial Request: TRRC Director will send the 2017 annual report draft to the board to review and will schedule presentations with all 5 entities in late December and early January.

People for Bikes Application: TRRC Director will work with Fayette and Clayton County Conservation to develop a Letter of Interest for trail amenities, including bicycle racks and delineation posts. The LOI is due in January.

**Motion by Harris to approve the People for Bikes LOI, second by Davis. Approved.

Director's Report: TRRC Director presented the November 2017 activities report and added that she will be presenting about the TRRC at the Iowa Bicycle Summit on January 26th, 2018.

Clermont Report: Work has begun on the historic depot. The City is working to improve the canoe launch and has replaced one of two dormers on the Larrabee Building. Sharon reported that Bill Ashby is currently the contact for the informational cable channel in Clermont.

Elgin Report: No report.

Elkader Report: The byway public art project is continuing with a presentation to the Elkader City Council planned on December 26th, 2017. Additions to the Rural Heritage museum are planned.

Motor Mill Report: Northeast Iowa RC&D is working with Clayton County Conservation and the Motor Mill Foundation to complete interpretive panels for the Mill.

Supervisors Report: The trail expansion project in Elgin is officially mobilized.

Conservation Report: The trail expansion project in Elgin is officially mobilized and Fayette County Conservation worked to update a trout access in the county.

The Holiday Walk at Osborne is planned for Thursday, December 7th, 2017. Disc golf baskets are in place with plans to work with Central High School's shop class to make tee signs. The Motor Motor 5k will take place on March 17th, 2018 and the Disc Golf Tournament will be held on July 13th, 2018.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held on January 2nd, 2018 at 6:30pm at the Elgin Public Library.

Adjournment:

**Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:28pm by Bradley. Second by Harris. Approved.

Respectfully Submitted – Mallory Hanson