



Turkey River Recreational Corridor Board Meeting Minutes

August 7th, 2018 – 6:30 p.m.
Larrabee Building – Clermont, Iowa

Present: Kenny Slocum, Sharon Harris, Rod Marlatt, Dina Taylor, Jennifer Cowsert, & Carrie Davis

Not Present: *, Janell Bradley, Alex Popenhagen, Jon deNeui, Roger Buchholz

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

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

The meeting was called to order at 6:34pm by Rod Marlatt.

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

Events: Fayette County Tourism “Music on the Move” – September 23rd, 2018

Vision Planning Follow-Up: The TRRC director is working to organize vision planning projects into logical strategic priorities to coordinate with the 2017 Vision Plan submitted to Iowa Great Places.

Trail Counter Purchase: The TRRC director presented an opportunity to purchase trail counters in partnership with Upper Explorerland Regional Planning Commission (UERPC). The TRRC Board agreed the donation they received for Fayette County trail development in the TRRC would be an appropriate source of funds for this purpose to cover both Fayette County and Clayton County’s contribution towards a 5-counter “trail counter system” package in partnership with Winneshiek County Conservation, Wapsi Great Western Line and UERPC.

**Motion to approve the contribution of \$1,348.00 to UERPC for purchase of a 5-counter “trail counter system” package upon execution of an agreement between TRRC and UERPC detailing TRRC’s unrestricted use of two of the five trail counters by Harris, second by Davis. Approved.

Trail Count/Survey Results: The TRRC director will share July 2018 trail count results for Clayton and Fayette Counties with the TRRC Board and UERPC to be included in the Regional Backbone Trail study data.

Regional Backbone Trail Survey Distribution: The TRRC director will distribute posters in Clermont, Elgin, and Elkader at frequented locations and will strive to share the survey online and in-person over the next two to three months.

Iowa Arts Summit: Because the TRRC Director was unable to attend the Iowa Arts Summit on August 3rd, the TRRC Board requested that Rod Marlatt attend to represent the TRRC as the Board Chair. Travel costs will be reimbursed through the TRRC’s budget (*Iowa Great Places Status Upkeep*).

Reports

Director: TRRC Director presented the June/July 2018 activities and financial report

Clermont: Flood projects are complete. Ash trees in town have been evaluated. Multiple events are planned at Montauk and the Opera House in August and September. “Krooked Halo” opened.

Elgin: No Report.

Elkader: Public art is installed and will be dedicated during Art in the Park on Aug. 18th.

Motor Mill: Motor Mill Art Show is planned for Sept. 15th. SSNHA may be assisting with strategic planning.

Supervisors: No Report.

Conservation: Osborne Pond restoration is underway and a current Savanna restoration is in progress. The Motor Mill and Turkey River Park accesses will be improved. Clayton Co. Conservation hosted an open house for the Motor Mill Trail on July 12th.

Letting for paving of the Elgin to Gilbertson trail expansion is planned for Aug. 21st.

Other Business: The TRRC Director will work to gather information about opportunities for Clermont Dam mitigation for presentation to the Clermont City Council tentatively on August 20th. The annual Iowa Great Places meeting is planned for Sept. 17th in Cedar Rapids.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held on Sept. 4th, 2018 at 6:30pm at the Larrabee Building in Clermont.

Adjournment:

**Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:46pm by Slocum. Second by Cowsert. Approved.

Respectfully Submitted – Mallory Hanson