



**Ohio River Greenway Development Commission**  
Meeting Minutes – April 19, 2012

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

<p><b>Voting Members Present:</b> <b>Town/Cities</b> Clarksville – John Gilkey Clarksville – Sam Gwin Clarksville – Jim McCoskey (Proxy) Jeffersonville – Philip Hendershot, Chair Jeffersonville – Mayor Mike Moore (Proxy) Jeffersonville – David Boome New Albany – Mayor Jeff Gahan (Proxy) New Albany – Pat Leist-Stumler, Treasurer New Albany – Anne Banet (Proxy)</p> <p><b>Governor’s Appointees</b> Clark County- Regina Overton, Vice-Chair Floyd County- Gary Libs</p> <p><b>Non-Voting Members Present:</b> Jim Keith – So. Indiana Tourism Bureau</p>	<p><b>Proxies:</b> Kelly Reed to Mayor Mike Moore Scott Wood to Mayor Jeff Gahan Portia Hendershot to Jim McCoskey</p> <p><b>Voting Members Absent w/o Proxy:</b></p> <p><b>Non-Voting Members Absent</b> DNR - TBD Jim Ude – INDOT One Southern Indiana - TBD</p> <p><b>Project Staff Absent:</b></p>
<p><b>Project Staff:</b> Shaunna Graf – Project Coordinator Matt Schueler – USACE</p>	<p><b>Members of the Community:</b></p>

**Call to Order and Attendance**

Philip Hendershot called the meeting to order at 3:08 p.m. and proceeded with taking attendance.

**Old Business**

**Approval of Monthly Meeting Minutes**

The March 15, 2012 meeting minutes were presented for approval. Scott Wood to accept the minutes as presented. (Seconded by David Boome.) The motion passed.

**Treasurer’s Report**

Pat Leist-Stumler reported the bank statements with an ending date of March 30, 2012.

The balance in the checking account is \$ 6,670.60

The money market account balance is \$ 131,374.85

**Claims**

The claims for April 2012 were presented. There was discussion about the claims. Gary Libs moved to approve Claims 888 through 892 for a total of \$4,686.67 (Seconded by Anne Banet.) The motion passed.

Claim	Payable to	Claim	Amount	Budget Line Item
888	Shaunna Graf	Consulting Services - Shaunna Graf	\$3,105.00	1
889	Shaunna Graf	Photos/thank you cards and 1st Luncheon w/Mayors	\$31.17	7
890	L&D Mailmasters	Brochure Printing Charges	\$25.50	9
891	Mind’s Eye Creative	Wayfinding Signage - Phase I Billing thru March 13,2012	\$1,450.00	18
892	Natural Concepts	Website hosting (April, May, June)	\$75.00	8

## **Design and Construction - Project Update**

### **Clarksville - Bailey West to Silver Creek Crossing (TE Project)**

Sam Gwin reported Clarksville and INDOT are still waiting to hear the recommendation from the SHPO for approval to move forward with design plans and property purchase for this segment.

### **Clarksville - Ashland Park (USACE Project)**

The contractor did replace all of the pavers by the Pennsylvania RR parking area. Closeout documents including as built documents have not been received. Matt Schueler stated that USACE will look for how the areas held out during the light freezes from winter. The contractor has now completed all of the areas. The contractor will back in to put in fabric in the landscaping. Phil commented that he thought that work had already been completed. The credit modification that has seemed to have drag on forever for Clarksville which involves the USACE stopping HNTB in design of the Marathon/Colgate/Carmen Industries is still working.

### **Clarksville - Erosion repair of Riverbank in Clarksville along Harrison/Croghan Ave.**

No update from March meeting.

### **Jeffersonville -Big 4 (INDOT Project)**

Kelly Reed stated Gohman Construction started construction and ordered materials and will be starting to pour peers in the next few weeks. Shaunna commented that it was so nice to drive by the area and see construction beginning.

### **Jeffersonville -Big 4 Landing (INDOT Project)**

Shaunna referenced the article in the News and Tribune regarding the Big 4 Landing. Jeffersonville is continuing to work toward getting the flood wall opening at Mulberry upgraded possibly using USACE funds for this as well as the landing area to get people back to the Greenway.

### **New Albany - Silver Creek to 18<sup>th</sup> Street (USACE Project)**

Scott Wood reported coordination will begin on the final walkthrough to develop official punch list in the month of May. The contractor has completed the Water street transition.

### **New Albany - 18<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> (INDOT Project)**

Scott wood went to the Board of Works on Tuesday to go forward with title and survey work for the west side connector up the levee at East 18<sup>th</sup> Street that will connect to the K&I Bridge.

City officials met with Congressman Young regarding discussions he had with Norfolk southern representatives. Norfolk Southern indicated utilizing the bridge for pedestrian and bike access is workable as long as they are indemnified by the states. This is very positive for the K&I connection.

### **Signage on Greenway**

Shaunna Graf reported wayfinding signage work with Mind's Eye Creative through the ORG Design and Construction committee continues. The Commission decided to review the first draft designs at a meeting to be held on May 15<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. at the Jeffersonville Township Public library meeting space on the first floor.

### **Community Outreach/Friends of the Ohio River Greenway**

#### **Turf Party 5/3/2012 – Oaks Eve at Cluckers on the riverfront in Jeffersonville**

Shaunna reported on final details and getting people to event volunteers sent sheet for sign ups.

### **5K 2012 – Saturday, September 22**

Planning has not moved too much on this event but it was added to event calendars on websites such as Pacers and Racers.

**Finance and Funding / Steering Committee**

Phil Hendershot stated work continues on the resolution regarding reserve funds. These committees also contemplated asking more for operating funds from each of the communities as well as approaching the counties for operational funds. This would allow the Commission to expand staffing a little bit to have a full-time position as well as a part time administrative programmer. Pat stated the meeting with Mayor Gahan on Monday went very well. Pat, Anne, Phil, Gary, Scott and Shaunna attended the meeting. Gary Libs and Anne Banet both agreed that Mayor Gahan was supportive of the Commission.

**Project Coordinator Report**

Shaunna handed out a paper copy of actions to the Commission she has been working. She encouraged Commission members to ask for more details if warranted, but she would like to get more feedback from Commission members during these meetings rather than offering a lengthy verbal report. The written report included information regarding the continued work to obtain banners for the light poles, Turf Party, ribbon cutting in New Albany. The updated brochure is completed and has been distributed. Shaunna asked for permission from the Commission to alter the displays in each of the communities for the Greenway updating the completed and under design segments with paint pens rather than expend up to \$800 to create new graphics.

**Public Comments**

Tom Raidy who now lives in Rainbow California in Northern San Deigo County just south of Temecula near Fallbrook visited the meeting today. Tom is a former Jeffersonville resident visiting with friends and family over Thunder weekend. He shared information on his experiences with Vicki Conklin regarding the trails system and his work on the community commission. Tom complimented the Commission on running a smooth and prompt meeting. It is clear that Phil provides great leadership and that the subcommittees are setup to provide great progress. Tom pledged to connect with Shaunna passing on information and city contacts with counter parts in San Marcus for their 71 mile trail system. 51 miles are completed roughly 40 miles were completed from 1994 to 2004 when he chaired the commission for about 4 years. They have one benefit in that their town was rural and then it became urban so it was able to be developed as they grew.

**Commission Comments**

Jim Keith reported that the Tourism Bureau has fielded more calls for Thunder this year than any other year. He stated these calls are from all over and continue to get further and further away. He noted however, California, is the furthest that he had recorded.

Phil Hendershot stated that Matt Schueler requested the Commission to consider what funding the USACE should request to be put in the President’s budget for the Ohio River Greenway. This would be for fiscal year 2014. These funds would be available in about a year and a half from now. There will be a ranking of the projects based on the criteria once they are all presented to congress then the president will set that budget. The Greenway was actually in the President’s budget for a few years but the focus for the last couple of years has been on safety and floodways not projects like the Greenway. The Commission discussed various amounts to request and \$1 Million is the sum the Commission agreed upon.



Signed by: Philip Hendershot Commission Chair

6/12/12

Date signed