

# **Ohio River Greenway Development Commission**

Meeting Minutes - August 21, 2011

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

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<b>Voting Members Present:</b>	Proxies:		
Town/Cities	Brian Kaluzny to Greg Isgrigg		
Clarksville - Greg Isgrigg(Proxy)	Brian Fogle to Mayor Tom Galligan		
Clarksville – Sam Gwyn	Scott Wood to Mayor Doug England		
Clarksville – Jim McCoskey			
Jeffersonville – Mayor Tom Galligan (Proxy)	Voting Members Absent w/o Proxy:		
Jeffersonville – Philip Hendershot, Chair			
Jeffersonville – David Boome			
New Albany – Mayor Doug England(Proxy)			
New Albany – Pat Leist-Stumler	Non-Voting Members Absent		
New Albany – Anne Banet	Jim Ude – INDOT		
	Jim Keith – So. Indiana Tourism Bureau		
Governor's Appointees	Matt Hall – One So. Indiana		
Clark County- Regina Overton, Vice-Chair			
Floyd County- Gary Libs			
Non-Voting Members Present:			
Larry Gray – DNR			
Project Staff:	Members of the Community:		
Shaunna Graf – Project Coordinator			
Matt Schueler - USACE			

### Call to Order and Attendance

Philip Hendershot called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. and proceeded with taking attendance.

# **Old Business**

# **Approval of Monthly Meeting Minutes**

The July 21, 2011 meeting minutes were presented for approval. Brian Fogle moved to accept the minutes as presented. (Seconded by Regina Overton.) The motion passed.

# **Treasurer's Report**

Pat Leist-Stumler reported the bank statements ending date of July 29, 2011.

The balance in the checking account is \$ 16,684.78

The money market account balance is \$ 153,168.10

### **Claims**

The claims for August 2011 were presented. There was discussion about the claims. Gary Libs moved to approve Claims 865 and 866 for a total of \$3145.31. (Seconded by Anne Banet.) The motion passed.

Claim #	Payable to	Claim	Amount	<b>Budget Line Item</b>
865	Shaunna Graf	Consulting Services - Shaunna Graf	\$3,105.00	1
866	Shaunna Graf	Office supplies and postage	\$40.31	7,10

# **Design and Construction - Project Update**

Starting in September, the Design and Construction Committee will begin meeting by conference call on the second Tuesday of the month at 3:00 p.m.

### Clarksville

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

Brian Kaluzny reported that the funding received for the additional environmental studies for archeology is under contract. The contract was negotiated through an amended contract with state on the LPA agreement. The supplement was signed and approved and it is also on INDOTs desk. There is a strong need to get the archeology work started in September, because we could be pushed back another 9 months if the digging does not get started and is delayed due to winter flooding. On August 25<sup>th</sup> Clarksville is completing a field walk of the area with consultant. Clarksville started the appraisal process for the Clark's Pointe property. The survey should be completed first then the appraisal. The review of the appraisal be completed in the next few weeks.

# **Ashland Park (USACE Project)**

Brian K. had no news to report. Matt Schueler scheduled a walk through on Tuesday, August 30<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. Brian K. stated he was available. Shaunna will not be available. Matt will follow up with an email confirming the time.

### **Jeffersonville**

# Big 4 – Design Update

Brian Fogle reported that Jeffersonville is still working on letting the project through INDOT by the end of the year. The final field check was yesterday. The final public formal hearing at city council building regarding the environmental assessment is scheduled for August 31<sup>st</sup> in the evening. Shaunna Graf noted that in the commission packets there is a letter announcement for the hearing.

### **New Albany**

# Silver Creek to 18<sup>th</sup> Street (USACE Project)

Scott Wood reported it is about 6 weeks out for the project to be complete. The approval was received from IDEM to bench the contaminated materials found near the Loop Island wetlands to be put under the asphalt at the 18<sup>th</sup> street connecting point. New Albany is still planning on having a ribbon cutting around harvest homecoming time frame.

# 18<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> (INDOT Project CMAO)

Scott reported INDOT is reviewing final changes to the plans made by HNTB. The environmental is still causing the delay. It is estimated due to the environmental there will be a March letting for this segment.

# 15<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> Street (INDOT Project STP)

Scott stated this project is also moving along through the INDOT processing. Scott met with HNTB to walk the site this week regarding the issues left due to new staff being in charge of this project. It may be that this project is also let in Spring/Summer 2012.

# Signage on Greenway

Shaunna stated a request for proposals was issued on August 16<sup>th</sup> and all submittals have to be received on August 26<sup>th</sup>. The signage committee will review the packages and make recommendations to the Commission.

# Community Outreach/Friends of the Ohio River Greenway

#### Banners

Shaunna reported there is no news regarding placing banners along the completed segments of the Greenway.

# 5K 2011 – Saturday, September 24 in New Albany

Shaunna said plans for the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual 5K run/walk on the Greenway are in full swing. A sign-up sheet for volunteers on the day of the event was passed around to Commission members. Registration for the event starts at7:30 a.m. and the race begins at 9:00 a.m. The event is shutting down by 10:30 a.m. and most everyone is out of the area by 11:00 a.m.

# **Harvest Homecoming**

Shaunna Graf reported Harvest Homecoming is October 6<sup>th</sup> through 9<sup>th</sup>. The Ohio River Greenway will be sharing the City of New Albany's booth as has been the case for the last few years. A sign-up sheet for volunteers on the day of the event was passed around to Commission members.

# **Finance and Funding**

# Proposed Revised 2012 Budget to be finalized by 12/2012

Phil Hendershot referenced the Proposed Revised 2012 Budget in the meeting packets. Phil noted the proposed revisions to the 2012 Operating Budget for the Commission. The Commission reviewed the budget showing \$10,000 budget reduction. Phil did note that the Commission has never spent the entire proposed budget for any particular year. Phil also noted that the \$1500.00 as income from the Friends Group fundraising efforts for our Operating Budget. This budget will show an exhaustion of the Commission carryover we have maintained over the three years. The Commission goal is in the May/June timeframe to revisit the issue of approaching the communities. There is no need to approve the budget now. The Commission approves the next year's budget in December. Brian Fogle asked what the balance was in the reserve accounts. The source of those funds might indicate where the reserves can be spent. Phil stated this will need to be researched.

# **Community Foundation \$5000 Grant Application**

Shaunna Graf reported an application is being prepared for the Community Foundation's 2011-2012 grant cycle. The maximum amount which can be requested is \$5,000 and the Greenway request will be to use the funds for wayfinding signage along the Ohio River Greenway.

# **Steering Committee**

# **Erosion of Riverbank in Clarksville and New Albany**

Brian Kaluzny reported that Greg Isgrigg and Rick Dickman met with the Mississippi River Commission & U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at the Falls of the Ohio. Matt Schueler stated the Mississippi River Commission work covers more than just the Mississippi River. Pat Leist-Stumler attended on behalf of the Ohio River Greenway Commission. The goal of the Mississippi River Commission's tour was to get acquainted with what is going on in each community along the Ohio River.

Clarksville is proceeding with the USACE permitting process to approve the soil nails. Matt said he did get a call from Brittany Montgomery and they are working on the approval of the repair of the roadway. He indicated a meeting would need to be setup with the people in operations for a preapproval of the design. Brian K. noted there is a five year guarantee on the soil nails.

# Change of meeting time

Phil noted the planned change of time for the monthly meeting to 3:00 p.m. on the third Thursday starting with next month's September 15<sup>th</sup> Commission meeting.

# **Project Coordinator Report**

# Tour de Pork

Phil reported that he rode and 150 participants and great people coming up and Regina and Pat talked to a lot of folks as well as organizers of the event who are very good people and sharp people within the community and we let them know we need private sector funding. It was a good time and great event.

Shaunna reported work continues with Jeffersonville and Clarksville to adopt a Monuments and Memorials Policy for the Ohio River Greenway. An updated Ohio River Greenway brochure is in the works. Shaunna will work at the Greenways Foundation Hoosier Outdoor Experience on September 18<sup>th</sup> at Fort Harrison State Park. A presentation is scheduled including a tour of the Greenway at the Loop Island Wetlands with the Southern Indiana Botanical Society on September 15<sup>th</sup> starting at 6:00 p.m. Shaunna will be moderating a workshop on building and maintaining sustainable organizations at the MidAmerica Trails Conference in October. The planning for the ribbon cutting ceremonies for the 18<sup>th</sup> to Silver

Creek segment in New Albany is underway. Shaunna asked if it would be okay to research the costs of producing a promotional video for the Ohio River Greenway. The Commission agreed it would be a worthy pursuit. Work continues with Louisville regarding conversion of one of the lanes on the K&I for pedestrian and bicyclist use.

### **Public Comments**

None.

### **Commission Comments**

Brian F. asked if there had been any conversations directly with the City of New Albany and City of Louisville officials regarding the K&I. Scott stated a meeting with the deputy Mayor took place in July and that the follow up continues.

Brian F. introduced Dan Matson who is working with the City of Jeffersonville. He is a resident of New Albany and his work with the City of Jeffersonville will involve the Ohio River Greenway.

Scott Wood said that he emailed Matt a letter from Mayor England asking for the original layout of where the flood levee was to be placed. Matt stated he will look into it.

Signed by: Philip Hendershot, Commission Chair

Date