

## **Ohio River Greenway Development Commission**

Meeting Minutes – June 12, 2014

315 Southern Indiana Avenue, Jeffersonville, Indiana

## **Voting Members Present:**

#### Town/Cities

Clarksville – Bob Polston, Town Council President (Proxy)

Clarksville – Jim McCoskey

Clarksville – Patrick Duggins (Proxy)

Jeffersonville – Mayor Mike Moore (Proxy)

Jeffersonville – Philip Hendershot, Chair

Jeffersonville - David Boome, Vice-Chair

New Albany – Mayor Jeff Gahan (Proxy)

New Albany – Pat Leist-Stumler, Treasurer

## **Governor's Appointees**

Clark County – Jay Conner

Floyd County – Ed Jerdonek

### **Non-Voting Members Present:**

Jim Epperson – Tourism Bureau

Wendy Dant Chesser – One So. Indiana (Proxy)

Kelley Morgan – DNR

#### **Project Staff**

Shaunna Graf – Project Director

Meredith Gainer – Administrative Assistant

Isabella Christensen – Intern

### **Proxies:**

Brittany Montgomery to Bob Polston Scott Johnson to Patrick Duggins Kelly Phillips to Mayor Mike Moore Scott Wood to Mayor Jeff Gahan

Michelle Sollberger to Wendy Dant Chesser

## Voting Members Absent w/o Proxy:

New Albany – Anne Banet

## **Non-Voting Members Absent**

Jim Ude – INDOT

## **Project Staff Absent:**

Matt Schueler - USACE

#### Call to Order and Attendance

Phil Hendershot called the meeting to order 3:05 p.m. and proceeded with taking attendance.

#### **Old Business**

## **Approval of Monthly Meeting Minutes**

The May 2014 minutes were presented for approval. Pat Leist-Stumler moved to accept the minutes with correction (Seconded by David Boome). The motion passed.

#### Treasurer's Report

Pat Leist-Stumler reported the bank statements with an ending date of May 30, 2014.

The balance in the checking account is \$ 13,866.42

The money market account balance is \$ 237,441.09

The claims for June 2014 were presented. Jim McCoskey moved to approve claim numbers 984 through 987 for a total of \$7,090.35 (Seconded by Ed Jerdonek.) The motion passed.

#### Claims

Claim #	Payable to	Claim	Total to Pay	Operating		Capital	
	,			Line		Line	
				Item	Amount	Item	Amount
984	Shaunna Graf	Consulting Services - Shaunna Graf	\$4,417.00	1	\$3,497.00	1	\$920.00
985	Shaunna Graf	Reimbursables	33.35	7,10	33.35		-
986	Meredith Gainer	Administrative Assistant Services - Meredith Gainer	\$1,200.00	1	\$1,104.00	1	\$96.00
987	Isabella Christensen	Internship Services - Isabella Christensen	\$1,440.00		-	1	\$1,440.00
		Expenses Total	\$7,090.35		\$4,634.35		\$2,456.00

# Design and Construction – Project Update

## **Bailey West to Silver Creek Crossing**

Brittany Montgomery reported that they are still waiting for SHIPO approval. Project letting planned by April 2015. The Environmental report for the Old Dinky Railroad Line came back clear.

#### Erosion Long-term solution - Harrison/Croghan Ave. to Loop Island Wetlands

Brittany reported that the 2014 Water Resource Act was signed into law. USACE may be able to obtain funds in FY 2016 that would go toward solving the erosion problems. The Town of Clarksville will be at the Falls of the Ohio meeting next week and representatives from the state have been invited to attend and tour the Falls of the Ohio as part of the budget committee meeting. The town will be re-evaluating Emory Crossing Road on an as needed and annual basis, depending on amount of rainfall, to determine if it needs to be closed.

Kelley Morgan with DNR reported that the \$182,000 has already been approved for the ADA upgrades and they are looking into funding if it becomes necessary to move the cabin.

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

Kelly Phillips reported that there will be a Grand Opening of the Indiana side of the Big Four Bridge on June 25<sup>th</sup> with parades originating from the Indiana and Kentucky sides and meeting in the middle.

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

Kelly reported that the North part of the park should be completed by the end of July, first of August. The stairs should be completed around the same time. They are pouring concrete, finishing the lighting, the water feature is taking shape and the light towers are being completed.

#### **Jeffersonville – Marina (USACE and Jeffersonville)**

Kelly reported that they have received permitting from DNR and are still awaiting USACE permits.

## Jeffersonville/Clarksville Connector Design

Kelly reported that Beam, Longest and Neff are working on the design. The project will be two phase with Phase I – Clarksville to Kingfish – beginning in 2015/2016 and Phase 2 to start after the completion of the bridges project sometime in 2017. They have applied for a \$75,000 grant from INDOT to help fund Phase II.

#### **New Albany - 18th to 8th (INDOT Project)**

Scott Wood reported that the Westerly Group is finishing the Environmental report. HNTB has a new person heading the environmental portion. FHWA and INDOT have accepted much of what USACE completed previously but have indicated that the archeology and structure reports need to be updated. David Duggins and Shane Gibson will be taking over this project. Letting scheduled for late 2014/early 2015 with construction beginning in 2015.

#### Design Credit - Clarksville Ashland Park to Jeffersonville

Matt Schueler was absent – no report

### Closeout documentation - USACE contracts New Albany and Clarksville

Kelly reported that Clarksville has their documentation but no As-Builts or O&M Manuals yet.

## New Albany 18th to Silver Creek (USACE- Completed Construction - Still under warranty)

Scott Wood reported that two monuments are set to be installed in New Albany – one on 18<sup>th</sup> Street and the other on Water St. The lights have been installed but the conduits have not yet been inspected by the town.

## L-TAP

Shaunna reported that INDOT has approved funding and that all of the required paper work has been signed and invoices submitted. We should be seeing payment soon.

## **Wayfinding Implementation**

Shaunna reported that RFP's should be going out by end of the month.

#### K&I

No movement

#### Finance and Funding

### **United Way Federal Campaign**

Shaunna reported that she will be meeting with the United Way Coordinator in July to see what information will be needed to complete the application to secure a spot on the combined Federal Campaign that will begin in 2015.

#### **New Albany Rotary Grant**

Shaunna reported that she will be submitting a proposal by July 10<sup>th</sup> in order to secure funds from their Centennial Dollars/Grant in 2015.

## Community Outreach/Friends of the Greenway

#### Tour de Pork

Meredith reported that Tour de Pork is scheduled for August 9, 2014 and registration is now open. They are looking for donors. Meredith will coordinate with the organizers in getting volunteer information out.

#### 5K

Meredith reported that planning has begun for the 5K event scheduled for September 27, 2014.

#### **Steering Committee**

Phil Hendershot reported that the committee met June 3. He referenced the draft copy of the ORGC Strategic Plan. This plan is meant to be used as a road map to follow and to outline of the commission's role as it works to fulfill the needs of the Greenway. He asked that comments/suggestions be forwarded to himself, Shaunna, and/or Meredith by July 1, 2014. He reinforced the importance of having commission members attend the presentations of the year end report to the communities.

### **Project Coordinator Report**

Shaunna referenced the written report in the meeting packet. She directed attention to the IUS Visitor Spending Econ Report distributed with the meeting packet. She reported that she met with Professor Arano and Jim Epperson regarding the possibilities of setting up a larger scale survey. Shaunna updated the year end presentation schedule and reminded the members that she would be attending the meeting for strategies for State Fund for Maintenance Development and Grants Program on July 11.

#### **Public Comments**

None.

#### **Commission Comments**

Phil read a letter from the Greenways Foundation that accompanied a donation in the name of Shaunna's grandfather – William Rafferty. Phil reminded members of the invitation from the Ogle Foundation to attend the upcoming 21<sup>st</sup> Century Parks meeting and tour and encouraged all to attend.

Signed by: Philip Hendershot Commission Chair

Will T Hendershot

8/5/14