



Ohio River Greenway Development Commission
Meeting Minutes – February 16, 2017

315 Southern Indiana Avenue, Jeffersonville, Indiana

<p>Voting Members Present: Town/Cities Clarksville – Paul Fetter, Town Council President (Proxy) Clarksville – Patrick Duggins Clarksville – Jim McCoskey</p> <p>Jeffersonville – Mayor Mike Moore (Proxy) Jeffersonville – Philip Hendershot, Chair Jeffersonville – Chris Fox, Treasurer</p> <p>New Albany – Mayor Jeff Gahan (Proxy) New Albany – Chris Gardner, Vice-Chair New Albany – Courtney Lewis</p> <p>Governor’s Appointees Clark County – To be Appointed (Vacant Seat) Floyd County – To be Appointed (Vacant Seat)</p> <p>Non-Voting Members Present: Jim Epperson, Clark/Floyd Tourism Bureau</p> <p>Project Staff Shaunna Graf – Project Director</p> <p>Others in Attendance: None</p>	<p>Proxies Brian Kaluzny to Town Council Pres. Paul Fetter Nathan Pruitt to Mayor Mike Moore David Duggins to Mayor Jeff Gahan</p> <p>Voting Members Absent w/o Proxy:</p> <p>Non-Voting Members Absent Wendy Dant Chesser – One So. Indiana Jim Ude – INDOT Lucas Green – DNR</p> <p>Project Staff Absent: Matt Schueler – USACE</p>
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Claim #	Payable to	Claim	Total to Pay	Operating		Capital	
				Line Item	Amount	Line Item	Amount
1119	Shaunna Graf	Consulting Services - Shaunna Graf	\$4,505.00	1	\$4,505.00		\$-
	Shaunna Graf	Uber Conference, Facebook Advertising, Trail Mix and Vest for Southern Indiana Day at the state house	\$240.29	7, 9, 12	\$ 240.29		\$-
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		Expenses Total	\$4745.29				\$-

Call to Order and Attendance

Phil Hendershot called the meeting to order at 3:06 p.m. and proceeded with taking attendance.

Old Business

Approval of Monthly Meeting Minutes

The December 2016 minutes were presented for approval. Brian Kaluzny moved to accept the minutes (Seconded by Jim McCoskey.) The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Chris Fox reported the bank statements with an ending date of January 31, 2017.

The balance in the checking account is \$ 7,104.66

The money market account balance is \$ 129,038.24

The Commission received Clarksville's annual \$25,000 contribution. Jeffersonville and New Albany's contributions have not yet been received. The balances do not reflect the \$25,000, the check has not been deposited.

The claims for February 2017 were presented. Jim McCoskey moved to approve claim numbers 1119 through 1120 for the total of \$4,745.29 (Seconded by Chris Gardener). The motion passed.

Advisory Committee Reports

Project Finance, Design and Construction – Project Update

Bailey West to Silver Creek Crossing

Brian Kaluzny reported preconstruction meetings are complete and construction will be starting soon.

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

Brian Kaluzny stated Clarksville is expecting the results of the Hydrology study being completed by the USACE.

Jeffersonville/Clarksville Connector Design

Jeffersonville

Nathan Pruitt stated there not an update at this time.

Clarksville

Brian Kaluzny reported Clarksville's proposed improvements to Riverside Drive (including a permanent separated cycle track from Ashland Park to Clarksville border) received approval from KIPDA for funding: \$400,000.00 for design in 2020 and \$1,600,000.00 for Right of Way acquisition in 2021. Clarksville will be applying for construction funds at a later date.

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

Chris Gardner reported the contractor is back on site and will be driving pylons for the next 6 weeks.

USACE Outstanding Issues

Design Credit Reimbursement Clarksville and Jeffersonville

No movement.

Outreach and Awareness Committee

IUS Students Redesigning Brochures and Posters in Public Displays at Town Halls

Outreach and Awareness Committee members will be meeting on February 23rd at IUS to see the presentations by IUS students of their designs for new public displays and brochures.

Committee Goals 2017

Shaunna referenced the document in the commission meeting packet, "2017 Goals Prioritizations for Greenway Project Director" in draft form. The Outreach and Awareness Committee updated the Marketing and Project Awareness section with their goals and priorities. This includes spending funds in the operating budget for Advertising and Marketing to remain within the \$7,000 line item.

Plan to involve Local Businesses in the Greenway

Shaunna referenced the document in the commission packet, "Plans to Involve Local Businesses in Supporting the Greenway." Shaunna explained the Dip Jar and Greenway beer opportunities.

Steering Committee

Need Appointments from Governor for two open seats Floyd and Clark County

Christopher Fox stated that the appointments to the Commission are on the back burner with the Governor's office.

Operating Budget for 2017

Nathan Pruitt stated Jeffersonville will not be providing the 2017 \$25,000 contribution to the Ohio River Greenway Commission. Nathan stated this was not a decision that he had any control over. He said it was discussed in the City of Jeffersonville administration. David Duggins stated New Albany will also not be providing the 2017 \$25,000 contribution to the Ohio River Greenway Commission.

Phil asked about the funding mechanism within the communities for the \$25,000 request, whether it comes through councils or executive branch. The funding comes from the executive branch in Jeffersonville and New Albany, which is the Mayors' offices. Phil would like to have Steering Committee meet with the executives and discuss if this is really a final decision to withhold all funding for 2017.

Discussion took place as to the Commission's operating contribution from each community being previously budgeted within each of the Communities.

The Commission Operating Budget became an issue because most the operating funds come from the \$25,000 contributions from each community.

Jim McCoskey stated he cannot see why both Jeffersonville and New Albany are not coming through with funding that was previously committed to see the Greenway project through completion.

Chris Fox moved to table the approval of the Operating Budget. Seconded by David Duggins. Motion approved.

Project Director Contract 2017

Phil Hendershot reported the contract for services was approved in principal at the December 2016 meeting, but the contract was not made available at the December meeting. The proposed contract was delivered to all Commission members prior to the meeting.

Jim McCoskey states he cannot see how the Commission can enter in to a contract now that funding is not available. Chris Fox moved to extend the current contract to extended to March 31, 2017 (Seconded by Chris Gardner.) Motion passed.

Letters to Legislators

Shaunna Graf reviewed the final draft of the letter and discussed final edits with Commission members.

Friends of the Greenway

No update.

Project Director Report

Shaunna referenced the written report in the meeting packet, highlighting a few of the items. She asked for the Commission to offer a list to prioritize what tasks she should focus on until the end of her contract. The Commission Annual report is in final draft form and needs to be reviewed by Commission members.

Public Comments


None.

Commission Comments

Brian Kaluzny reported Clarksville has begun condemnation proceedings on the CSX line near Applegate Lane.



Signed by: Philip Hendershot, Commission Chair



Date signed