



Turkey River Recreational Corridor
April 4th, 2017 – 6:30 p.m.
Elkader City Hall – Elkader, Iowa

MEETING MINUTES

Present: Sharon Harris, Alex Popenhagen, Kenny Slocum, Rod Marlatt, Janell Bradley, Carrie Davis, Jon deNeui, Jennifer Cowsert, and Dina Taylor, and Roger Buchholz

Not Present: *

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

Others Present: Jenna Pollock and Mallory Marlatt

The meeting was called to order by Rod Marlatt at 6:33pm.

**Motion to approve the agenda by Buchholz, second by Bradley. Approved.

The minutes from the March 2017 meeting minutes were reviewed.

**Motion to approve the March 2017 meeting minutes by Davis, second by deNeui. Approved.

Rural Business Development Grant: Community brochure drafts were presented to the board. Final drafts will be prepared for the May 2017 meeting.

Turkey River Safari 2017: Mallory is working to finalize write-ups for the guidebooks and maps.

July 2017 Trail Counting Dates: The trail count will take place on July 1st and July 17th.

Mediacom Commercials: Clayton and Fayette County Conservation have agreed to partner with TRRC to air a commercial for 6 months with OnMedia. New photos and video footage will be shot in April/May.

NFVCC Youth and Family Resource Fair: Mallory plans to attend this event to represent TRRC.

FY '18 Large Infrastructure Grant Writing: The board discussed priorities for the Fiscal Year 2018 Large Infrastructure Grant to be carried out in the next contract.

**Motion to prioritize the Elgin to Gilbertson Trail Extension for the FY '18 Large Infrastructure Grant by Harris. Second by Bradley. Approved.

Vacation Iowa Publication: Mallory will plan to look into opportunities for TRRC inclusion in the 2018 Vacation Iowa Publication.

Iowa Great Places Re-Designation

**Motion to apply for Iowa Great Places Re-Designation this year (Due May 1st) by Harris. Second by Buchholz. Approved.

Clermont Report: Funds for roof repair have been approved by the Clermont City Council. Tree planting will take place on April 19th due to secured Alliant funds. Discussions for the Clermont Depot are taking place.

Elgin Report: Sharrow painting will take place soon. Elgin will be hosting a River Roadshow in partnership with Iowa Rivers Revival in July.

Elkader Report: Elkader's River Bluffs Scenic Byway public art project was awarded a \$1,000 grant from the Clayton County Foundation for the Future.

Motor Mill Report: Roof repairs continue. An archaeological survey of the Mill basement was completed. Tours will officially open Memorial Day weekend.

Supervisors Report: Fayette County has developed a UTV ordinance.

Conservation Report: The Elgin to Gilbertson Trail Expansion Bridge has been altered. The estimate is now higher than the original estimate due to a zero-rise requirement.

The Motor Motor 5k brought 74 registrants and raised approximately \$2,000. Clayton County Conservation received an Iowa Native Plant Society grant for tools for their Young Conservationist Society (ages 13-18). This will enable them to host 3 days of outings for the group.

Next Meeting: The next scheduled meeting will take place Tuesday, May 2nd, 2017 at 6:30pm at Elkader City Hall.

Adjournment:

**Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55pm by Buchholz. Second by Harris. Approved.

Respectfully Submitted – Mallory Marlatt