



Turkey River Recreational Corridor Board Meeting Minutes

June 4th, 2019 – 6:30 p.m.

Elkader City Hall – Elkader, Iowa

Present: Rod Marlatt, Sharon Harris, Marty Stanbrough, Kenny Slocum, Larry Stone, & Jennifer Cowsert

Not Present: Alex Popenhagen, Roger Buchholz, Dina Taylor (alternate), Jenna Pollock (alternate), Aimee Hilgerson (alternate), Janell Bradley (alternate), & Carrie Davis

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

Others Present: Mallory Hanson, Kate Lower, & Sheryl Struthers

The meeting was called to order at 6:32pm by Rod Marlatt.

**Motion to approve the agenda by Harris, second by Stanbrough. Approved.

**Motion to approve the May, 2019 minutes by Stone, second by Stanbrough. Approved.

Infrared Trail Counter Installation Update: The TRRC Director updated the board on the installation of trail counters at Pony Hollow in Elkader and TRRC in Elgin/Clermont.

July 2019 Trail Count Volunteers: Volunteers are still needed for both Clayton and Fayette County trail counts.

2019 Trail Count Volunteers: Slots are still available for both the Fayette and Clayton counts in July.

Turkey River Water Trail Guides: 1,250 guides are left in storage.

Vision Plan Project Updates: The Board discussed updates on the Clermont Dam Mitigation, Clayton County Trout Fishing Guide, Elkader Art in the Alley (August, 2019 reveal), and Elkader to Elgin Trail Pre-Engineering (paperwork with DOT has begun) projects.

Turkey River Event: Clayton County Conservation is co-hosting a Paddle, Pedal, Pour every 2nd Saturday throughout the summer. Details can be found on the TRRC Facebook Page.

FY '20 TRRC/RC&D Contract

**Motion to approve the FY '20 TRRC/RC&D Contract for Services by Harris. Second by Stone. Approved.

Reports

Director: The TRRC Director presented the May 2019 report.

Clermont: The Clermont Depot is planning was open for Memorial Day weekend. The Hwy 18 road project has begun and the City is working to replace ball diamond lights.

Elgin: Homecoming planning and preparation continues.

Elkader: The Sharp Art Gallery and Deb's Brewtopia recently hosted their grand openings in Elkader.

Larry Stone will be the new TRRC representative for Motor Mill. A new roof hatch was installed on the mill and the foundation received a donated school bell. Tours will continue through Heritage Days in October with the 3rd annual Motor Mill Art Show scheduled for Sept. 7. A sesquicentennial celebration will take place on Thanksgiving weekend. New interpretive signs are planned for the Savanna.

Supervisors: Fayette County is working on road repair and improvement.

Conservation: Clayton County Conservation is working to clean up canoe landings and is planning an application for climbing boulders at Osborne Park.

The Elgin Trail and Trail Bridge Grand Opening will take place June 29th, 2019 at 9:00am during Elgin's Homecoming Celebration.

Other Business: Elkader is considering placement of an ad within the editorial featuring the Turkey River in the Iowa Sportsman.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held on July 2nd, 2019 at 6:30pm at Clermont City Hall (Larrabee Building).

Adjournment:

**Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:29pm by Harris. Second by Stone. Approved.

Respectfully Submitted – Mallory Hanson