



Turkey River Recreational Corridor Board Meeting Minutes

December 3, 2019 – 6:30 p.m.
Elgin Public Library – Elgin, Iowa

Present: Rod Marlatt, Dina Taylor (alt.), Larry Stone, Marty Stanbrough, Alex Popenhagen, Jennifer Cowsert, Kenny Slocum, Matt McElree, Bob Hendrickson, & Sharon Harris

Not Present: Jenna Pollock (alt.) & Aimee Hilgerson (alt.)

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

Others Present: Mallory Hanson & Nancy Stanbrough

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Rod Marlatt.

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

**Motion to approve the November 2019 minutes with updates by Popenhagen, second by Harris. Approved.

Turkey River Water Trail Guides: A re-print for 2020/2021 was discussed.

**Motion to request \$500 contributions from Fayette County Conservation, Clayton County Conservation, Fayette County Economic Development and Tourism, and Clayton County Development Group and to contribute \$500 from TRRC to print an updated batch of Turkey River Water Trail Guides by Popenhagen, second by Hendrickson. Approved.

Vision Plan Project Updates: The Board discussed updates on the Clermont Dam Mitigation, Elkader to Elgin Trail Pre-Engineering (DOT contract approved), Elkader Trail/Community Wayfinding Signage (First meeting January 6th 5:30-7pm at Central State Bank in Elkader), Elgin Trail Bridge Lighting, and the Motor Mill Trail.

Annual Report Review: The board reviewed the annual report and potential for increased requests.

**Motion to approve the annual report with recommended updates by Harris, second by Slocum. Approved.

**Motion to make \$3,500 requests from the City of Elgin and Clermont, a \$4,000 request from Elkader, and \$10,000 from Clayton and Fayette County Supervisors for FY '21 by Popenhagen, second by Harris. Approved.

Reports

Director: The TRRC Director presented the November 2019 report.

Clermont: New lights were installed in the park and additional projects are planned.

Elgin: The dike system is in final phases. Valley Fresh Market (community owned) opened Dec. 1st.

Elkader: The Keystone Bridge project has begun. Elkader was featured on KCRG.

Motor Mill: Over 100 people attended the Sesquicentennial Bridge Lighting on November 23rd.

Supervisors: No reported activity.

Conservation: Clayton County Conservation held a successful 15k, is planning multiple fundraisers at Deb's Brewtopia, started riverbank restoration at Osborne, and has a mural project in progress at the Nature Center. Fayette County Conservation is working on potential canoe launch projects, trail mile markers, trail bridge lighting, and shade structures for the Petting Zoo and Playscape at Gilbertson Park.

Other Business: TRRC polos are available for interested board members for \$30.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held on Jan. 7, 2020 at 6:30pm at the Elgin Public Library (Elgin, Iowa).

Adjournment:

**Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45pm by Harris, second by Stabrough. Approved.

Respectfully Submitted – Mallory Hanson