



Turkey River Recreational Corridor Board Meeting Minutes

January 5, 2021 – 6:30 p.m. | Zoom

Present: Rod Marlatt, Aimee Hilgerson, Sharon Harris, Jenna Pollock (alt.), Kenny Slocum, Larry Stone, & Jennifer Cowsert

Not Present: Stephanie Mackenzie-Herman (alt.), Dina Taylor (alt.), Marty Stanbrough, Bob Hendrickson, John Nikolai (alt.), & Matt McElree

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

Others Present: Mallory Hanson

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

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

**Motion to approve the December 2020 minutes by Slocum, second by Cowsert. Approved.

Vision Plan Project Updates: The Board discussed updates on the Elkader Community Visioning, Turkey River 360 Video and Water Trail Guide Update, Elkader to Elgin Trail Pre-Engineering, Pony Hollow Trail, and Clermont Dam Mitigation.

Grant Updates: The Turkey River 360 video and water trail guide reprint (UMGC grant) is in progress and the application for the Fayette County Community Foundation has been submitted.

FY '22 Partner Contribution Review: Clermont has approved. Elgin and Elkader have it currently budgeted, pending final approval. Fayette County has it budgeted.

2020 Infrared Trail Counter Data: Hanson reviewed infrared trail counter data live with attendees.

Turkey River Safari – 2021: 2020 sites will be utilized unless Board members would like to recommend a change in sites for 2021. Physical guidebooks will be printed this year. A letter will be sent to 2020 sponsors as a thank you and reminder that we will ask for sponsorships again in 2022.

Reports

Director: The TRRC Director presented highlights from the December 2020 report.

Clermont: Submitted a Fayette County Community Foundation for park improvements.

Elgin: Nothing significant to report.

Elkader: The gate on the dam has been fixed. The City is seeking applications for a new Main Street coordinator.

Motor Mill: Seeking bids for the stable roof stabilization. Clayton County Conservation is planning to apply for an Iowa Rural Revitalization grant for the Motor Mill Inn Restoration project.

Supervisors: No Report.

Conservation: Both fish habitat projects were funded. The holiday walk went well. Registration is open for the Motor Motor 5k/10k run and planning is in progress.

FCCB is pursuing funding to purchase kayaks and equipment. Two land acquisition projects have funding applications pending. The DOT is planning to install 6' shoulders on Hwy 150 between West Union to the Prairie Farmer Trail.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 2, 2021 at 6:30pm. Location TBD.

Adjournment:

**Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:15pm by Harris, second by Hilgerson. Approved.

Respectfully Submitted – Mallory Hanson