



Turkey River Recreational Corridor Board Meeting Minutes

March 2, 2021 – 6:30 p.m. | Zoom

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

Not Present: Aimee Hilgerson, Stephanie Mackenzie-Herman (alt.), 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 Stone, second by Taylor. Approved.

**Motion to approve the February 2021 minutes by Taylor, second by Stanbrough. Approved.

Vision Plan Project Updates: Discussion 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 process and the application for the Fayette County Community Foundation is pending.

2021 Turkey River Safari: Hanson confirmed approval for post locations and is working on the guidebook draft.

Virtual Canoeopia 2021: The Northeast Iowa Whitewater group is participating in the virtual Canoeopia event this year and have gathered photos, files, and promotional videos to feature during the event.

Marketing Plan: Hanson presented an update on the Rapid Media Paddling guide potential advertising opportunity. Hanson will continue to explore this and other potential marketing opportunities for 2022 planning.

Clayton County Conservation “Attracting Success” Project: Pollock updated attendees on progress on the project.

Reports

Director: The TRRC Director presented highlights from the February 2021 report.

Clermont: Awaiting Fayette County Community Foundation grant decision.

Elgin: No report.

Elkader: New City Councilman (Tony Hauber). Going to bid on Keystone Bridge and Carter Street projects.

Motor Mill: Seeking bids and finalizing plans for stable project. The Motor Motor 5k/10 and Motor Mill Trail grand opening is planned for March 20, 2021.

Supervisors: Working on brush removal from bridge piers utilizing canoe/kayak launches for access.

Conservation:

CCCB: Snowfest was popular on February 27 with approx. 50 attendees. March 13: Bluebird House Workshop. March 18: OWLS Trip. March 20: Motor Motor 5k/10 & Motor Mill Trail Grand Opening. March 26: Nature All Around Us Art Series (Pine Needle Baskets). Planning to submit a Land and Water Conservation Fund grant for campground development. The Building Better Birders program continues. Submitted a TAP grant for Phase 2 of the Pony Hollow Trail Project.

FCCB: Currently hiring for seasonal positions. Full Moon Walk at Gilbertsons was popular on February 27 with approx. 250 attendees.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 6, 2021 at 6:30pm in Elkader.

Adjournment:

**Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:19pm by Harris, second by Hendrickson. Approved.

Respectfully Submitted – Mallory Hanson