



Turkey River Recreational Corridor Board Meeting Minutes

August 1, 2023 – 6:30 p.m. | Larrabee School – Clermont, Iowa

Present: Rod Marlatt, Jenna Pollock, Kenny Slocum (alt.) Jennifer Cowsert, Steve Doepcke, Dina Taylor, Troy Schott, Chris Schoen, Bruce Lehman (alt.), Kayleen Schroeder (alt.)

Not Present: Dan Slagel (alt.), Janell Bradley, Eric Grau, Deb Schmidt (alt.), Chris Wachal,

Others Present: Mallory Hanson, Brian Balster

The meeting was called to order at 6:31pm by Rod Marlatt.

**Motion to approve the August, 2023 agenda by Taylor second by Schott. Approved.

**Motion to approve the June 2023 minutes by Taylor, second by Pollock Approved.

Review of Financials: Hanson provided an update of the programming budget.

Grant/Vision Plan Project Updates: Attendees reviewed the current vision plan. A mini-visioning session will take place in November or December.

Trail Count/Infrared Data Presentation: Hanson presented current infrared data in comparison to in person data virtually during the meeting.

3-Year TRAFx DataNet Account Contribution (UERPC): Hanson presented a proposal for a 3-year renewed contract/MOU with UERPC for access to the TRAFx DataNet account.

**Motion to contribute \$166.68 for Clayton CCB/Fayette CCB/TRRC access to the shared DataNet account in partnership with UERPC by Taylor, second by Schoen. Approved.

Reports:

Director:	The TRRC Director presented highlights from the June-July 2023 report.
Clermont:	The Green Door and Turkey River Saloon (now Bad Tad's) are under new ownership. The 175 th Celebration will take place the weekend of July 5, 2024. The City is looking for new Christmas decorations.
Elgin:	The lagoon project was re-bid.
Elkader:	Sweet Corn Days took place last weekend and was very successful. The tennis court project is underway. Art in the Park will take place August 19-20 with a model train show on the 20 th as well. The Keystone Bridge repair is still in progress.
Motor Mill:	The open house events went well. September, 2023 is the expected opening timeline for reservations. Clayton County: Currently working to re-sealcoat roads. Finishing up gravel contracts.
Supervisors:	Fayette County: Acorn Road repairs are complete and concrete is almost done on V68. Road re-alignment is being proposed on Canoe Road/Hwy 56. Courthouse trees were removed and a plan for re-planting is in progress. Windmills are being re-powered near Hawkeye. CCCB: Summer programming is coming to an end. A Master Conservationist class will be hosted in partnership with FCCB and both county extension offices.
Conservation:	FCCB: A native planting project is being finished on the Jensen Trail outside of West Union. A fish habitat project at Dutton's Cave was finished. The Northeast Iowa Tourism Association will be at the state fair with a booth in the commercial hall. Rod and Mallory will be there on August 10 th . Fayette County Economic Development and Tourism has engaged in a contract with SHRPA to hire influencers to develop content in Fayette County this summer/fall.

Other Business: Taylor thanked Pollock and Motor Mill/CCCB for their efforts at the Motor Mill Inn Open House.

Public Comments: No public comments were shared.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held on September 5, 2023 at 6:30pm at the Larrabee School in Clermont.

Adjournment:

**Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:41pm by Schott, second by Doeppke. Approved.

Respectfully Submitted – Mallory Hanson