

Greenway & Trail Users Advisory Group (GTUAG)
Agenda
Tuesday, May 14, 2013 - 7:00 PM
GF Park District, 1210 7th Avenue South, Grand Forks, ND

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I. Old Business

- A. **Green Lanes update** – Daniel reported from the last Green Lanes meeting that ways to improve University & 42nd St. N were discussed. There are so many federal regulations for Green Path. At this time, we are able to paint additional symbols and edge to edge stripes. Paintings will be in green and will begin this summer on University and 42nd St. N. This will allow for better transition from University to Columbia with better markings. Bike stall will be installed downtown very soon as well. Discussions continued amongst bike users for better routes and avoiding busiest street. North Star Cycle group will be looking at helping to identify better routes and better connectors. Public input will be requested and webpage will be created with links. This group will look at these suggestions from the public in Sept/Oct.
- B. **Fargo bikeway system meeting** – Kim and Stephanie will be going to Fargo on May 30th to meet with Fargo City employees to review Fargo's Greenway, bike routes, bike rental racks and tour their facilities. Fargo would like our ideas/opinions since they are looking at some of the same ideas that we are. Also looking for advice as they start neighborhood meetings through Metro COG.
- C. **Special project requests**
 - i. **Bocce ball & horseshoe pits** – Technical committee decided to paint the lines of the court instead of Y-brackets with boards or CVP pipe options. We'll monitor it's use and if it doesn't get used, it's no great expenditure for paint.

II. New Business

- A. **Special project requests**
 - i. **Wood duck boxes** – Cabella's requested installation of 6 wood duck boxes. These will be constructed during Art Fest and 3 will be installed in Grand Forks and 3 in East Grand Forks. Discussions were held regarding identifying people/groups to clean out the boxes periodically.
- B. **2013 Greenway intern – Aubrey Ellefson** – Aubrey's focus will be on social media, marketing our Greenway projects, coordination Greenway trail survey, Campground walking tours in East Grand Forks, working with "Rolling on the River" and working with the NASA Program.
- C. **2013 Visual trail surveys** – Volunteers are needed to conduct Visual Trail survey June 18, 19 and 22. MN Transportation will be using information collected as well. There will be 7 survey locations and information collected will include gender, age and activity. Possible other visual surveys may be conducted at the dog park, disc golf or picnic use on the Greenway.
- D. **2013 trail projects** – Realignment of the Lower Sunbeam route and a replacement of a section by South Middle School through Southern Estates will be worked on this summer. With the Columbia Road construction this summer, the bike path along Altru will be widened as well.

III. Greenway updates

- A. Flood cleanup** - Some lower trails are still under water, but Grand Forks missed most of the large debris. There is very little straw this year since the overland flooding wasn't bad this year. The East Grand Forks railroad bridge caught most of the larger debris from the river and EGF campground had small amounts as well. There is also a small amount of debris along the Lincoln golf course. Silt isn't as bad this year, but will need to dry before pay-loaders can work on the boat ramps. The dog park is still under water and will need reseeding. Installation of a 2nd gate has been discussed. Can possibly survey this question to see if it would get used.

IV. Other – Action Items

- A. Definitive timeline for street painting**
B. Christmas in the Park decoration removal timeline
C. Timeline for installing rails on bridge

V. Next meeting date: 7:00 pm, Tuesday, June 11, 2013 at the Grand Forks Park District, 1210 7th Avenue South

VI. Adjournment

VII. Upcoming events & meetings

- **2013 Arbor Day tree planting:** Thursday, May 16 @ noon. EGF LaFave Park (just south of the railroad bridge). Open to the public
- **Sunday Morning Coffee Ride:** Every Sunday. Meet at Starbucks on 13th Avenue south and Washington Street. Ride starts at 9 am. Distance and speed is determined by the skill level of participants
- **Safe Kids GF Lookout Cookout:** Saturday, May 18 11 AM – 2 PM at Lincoln Drive Park. Open to the public
- **Greenway Technical Committee: 10:30AM Tuesday, May 14, 2013. GF Park District, 1210-7th Avenue North.**

