

Greenway Technical Committee (GTC)
Meeting Notes
Tuesday, November 8, 2011 - 10:30 am- Noon
Grand Forks Park District Office, 1210-7th Ave. S. Grand Forks, ND

Stacy Heggen, GGF Young Professionals
Travis Hagen, disc golf association
Corey Birkholz, Options
Mark Landa,
Marty Egelund, ND Game & Fish
Teri Kouba, MPO
Catherine Johnson, RRSRA campground

Dave Aker, EGF Park & Rec
Roxanne Achman, GF City Planning Dept.
Dwight Love, GF Police
Laura Munski, Dakota Science Center
Bill Palmiscno, GF Park District
Kim Greendahl, City of Grand Forks

I. Old Business

a. Special project request updates

i. Disc golf course at Riverside Park: A meeting was held with the person who requested consideration of the course (Jace Grangruth), Travis Hagen of the local disc golf association, Rick Zieggelman of the GF Park District, and Kim to discuss the possibility for a course. Jace and Travis are going to visit the proposed site and determine what could be done for a course. Kim has not heard back from them yet.

b. Update on ADA regulations regarding Other Power Driven Mobility Devices

(OPDMD): This matter was brought to the September 27 Service Safety Committee meeting as an informational item. During the review of the support materials for the meeting Kim found a memo from Howard Swanson, GF City Attorney, discussing a similar issue for the larger trail system. In that memo Howard noted that the Greenway Ordinances have language to permit the use of OPDMD as defined in the ordinance. Snowmobiles, golf carts, atvs and lawnmower tractors are still excluded from use in the Greenway. Kim will continue to work with city staff to extend this ordinance to the entire trail system.

c. Update on hiring an intern to update the Greenway Plan: Last week Dave, Melanie and Kim interviewed four candidates for the position. An offer has been extended to the top scoring candidate and Kim is waiting to hear back from her today.

New Business

a. Winter recreation preparations: The cross country ski signs have been installed along the trail in Grand Forks. The ground is still too warm for ice rinks. The water has been soaking into the ground before it can freeze so this activity has been suspended until weather conditions are better suited for making ice.

b. Greenway & Trail Users Advisory Group: The group will be hearing about the information listed on this agenda plus an update from GF city engineering and MPO staff about trail planning, funding and public input opportunities.

IV. Greenway Agency Updates

a. City of EGF: Dave has been approached by a service group that is interested in building a dog park in EGF.

b. City of GF: Christmas in the Park will be starting at the end of the month in Lincoln Drive Park.

c. GF Park District: No report.

d. MN DNR: The MN DNR is working on updating their rule book to include changes in fees, policies for the use of Other Power Driven Mobility Devices, and a few policy changes.

Submitted by: Kim Greendahl, Greenway Specialist, City of Grand Forks