

**Greenway Technical Committee Staff  
Meeting Notes  
Tuesday, February 9, 2010  
Grand Forks Park District Office - 1210 7<sup>th</sup> Ave. S. Grand Forks, ND  
10:30 am- Noon**

Steve Mullally, GF Park District  
Dave Aker, EGF Parks & Recreation

Melanie Parvey, City of GF  
Kim Greendahl, City of EG

**I. Old Business**

**a. Project request update:**

- i. Lions request for temporary storage:** The Lions' worked with the GF Park District to locate a place to park a mobile storage trailer. The arrangement seems to be working for everyone so far. Kim will update the request paperwork to close out this request.
  - ii. Solar lighting at 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue north:** Kim has been unable to get any information from two companies. The committee suggested trying a local company like Border States or DESCO. She will look into these options.
  - iii. Boat dock request:** The City of Grand Forks accepted an offer of a free dock from the ND Game & Fish and has applied for funding for a second dock. Melanie is working on the delivery arrangements for the first dock, which will be installed at the Lincoln Drive Park boat landing this season.
  - iv. Disc golf tee pads and expansion:** Kim is still working on a map to show the existing facilities and potential development. This map has been requested by the ND Emergency Management office regarding requests for the park. The letter of request will be sent when the map is ready.
- b. Pursuit of 501 (c) 3 status:** GF City Attorney Howard Swanson is willing to help file the necessary paperwork for application for non-profit status. Kim will follow up with Howard to get the process started.
- c. Updating of Greenway Plan:** Kim is still working on this and will have something available for the April meeting.

**II. New Business**

**a. Potential special project requests:**

- i. Community Gardens:** Interest in a community garden in the Greenway has resurfaced. Kim and Melanie will complete a project request form for this idea so we can begin tracking the request.
  - ii. BMX track:** Melanie sent a form to someone who was interested in a BMX park but the paperwork hasn't been returned to her yet.
- b. Letter of support to EGF Council for trail repair or rerouting in downtown EGF:** The funding application to provide a new trail connection at LaFave Park in the EGF portion of the Greenway was denied by the MN Department of Natural Resources. Dave is concerned that some members of the EGF Council would not support the connection even if funding were received because they believe that using the road or winding through the downtown area is a suitable substitution. Cost for rerouting the trail is \$188,000. Dave asked for \$150,000 from MN DNR. Kim will ask for letters of support from the user group and event planners and send to the city administrator and members of the EGF Council.
- c. Greenway & Trail Users Advisory Group update:** There is a concern that meeting only in GF gives the impression that the group is only for GF residents. One solution is to alternate between GF & EGF locations every other month although that might create confusion for attendees. The Campbell Library in EGF is an option but they require a ten dollar fee for meetings that go past 8 PM. The EGF City Hall has Council meetings on Tuesdays which would mean changing the meeting date for the user group. Kim will look into possible locations and ask the group for ideas.

**III. Greenway Agency Updates**

- a. **City of EGF:** Kayaks will be available at campground this summer.
- b. **City of GF:** Continuing to work on the year end report and hope to have something to share at the full committee meeting in March.
- c. **GF Park District:** Greg continues to groom the cross country trails on a regular basis. Greenway Ski Days on Friday and Saturday was well attended.
- d. **MN DNR:** No report

**IV. Other**

- a. **Christmas in the Park:** There are still about six displays remaining in the park. The Lions' have contacted Kim to let her know that they hope to have the displays removed before the spring flood. The deep snow has prevented them from accessing some of the displays.
- b. **Council update:** The council make up has changed over the past few years and some may not be aware of the work of the Greenway Technical Committee. The group would like to ask Lonny to give an update about the Greenway Technical Committee and their role in the Greenway. Kim will talk to Lonny about doing some type of presentation to both Councils.
- c. **Pedicabs:** There is interest from the GGF Convention and Visitors Bureau and UND Cycling Club to bring this to GF. Kim will set up a meeting with representatives from these two groups and the Ski & Bike Shop to discuss the possibilities.
- d. **Dog Park:** Mayor Brown has asked Melanie to revisit this request. Melanie will set up a meeting of the small committee to discuss the possibility of a small dog park in Lincoln Drive Park.

**V. Next Greenway Technical Committee meeting: March 9, 2010 – 10:30 am at Grand Forks Park District, 1210 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue South**

**VI. Adjournment**

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