

**Greenway Technical Committee  
Meeting Notes  
Grand Forks Park District  
10:30 AM – Tuesday, November 15, 2005**

Steve Mullally, GF Park District  
Sgt. Keith Schroeder, GF Police Dept.  
Corey Birkholz, Options  
Lonnie Winrich  
Dale Skyberg, EGF Parks & Rec  
Julie Romig, Metropolitan Planning Org

Melanie Parvey-Biby, City of GF  
Ann Sande, Friends of the Greenway  
Randy Sorenson, Options  
Marty Egeland, ND Game and Fish  
Dave Manthei, GF Fire Dept  
Kim Greendahl, City of Grand Forks

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- I. **Trail Marker Options:** The committee reviewed the proposed plans and map (Greenway Trail Marking Plan Map 11-14-05) developed by the Greenway Technical Committee Staff. The goal of this project is to provide a system of marking distance for trail users.

The committee supports implementing Plan A of the Greenway Trail Marking Map. Marking would go clockwise, but a starting point was not determined. Options for a starting point to begin measuring miles from are: middle of either pedestrian bridge, middle of Sorlie Bridge, or Town Square. It is also the consensus of group to mark trail mileage with spray paint at least the at least the first season to test user response and allow for input. The issue of determining a start point for measuring was tabled and will be on the December 13 Greenway Technical Committee Staff agenda for discussion.

Would this trail marking system assist emergency services determine where a person is located in the Greenway? Probably not. Does the 911 in MN come out of Crookston when a cell phone is used? Keith will look into this. The committee shouldn't get too tied into the MN/ND distinction because cell phones, GPS and visitors don't.

- II. **Application for National Recreation Trail:** Melanie updated the committee on the program. The application is due December 1. The consent of all landowners in writing on file when the application is sent. Dale will bring this to the EGF Council and also talk to John Winter for the support of the MN DNR. Melanie will check with the City of GF.
- III. **Greenway Map Update:** All updates to the Greenway map should be sent to Kim by **December 31**. Is it possible to show the shore bank fishing benches in EGF on this map? The map is getting crowded and it may be time to look at developing summer and winter use maps. Is it possible to note changes in elevation along the trail? Possibly, if the map is not getting too crowded.

- IV. **Managing Agency Update:** The City of GF did a controlled burn last week in the Olson/Elmwood area to control weedy vegetation. Work has begun on the north end pedestrian bridge. Both of the boat ramps in Grand Forks are now complete and are open for use. Riverside Park is closed for construction throughout 2006.

**Greenway Technical Staff Mtg. December 13 – 10:30 am at Grand Forks Park District**

**Greenway Technical Committee Mtg. January 10, 2006 – 10:30 am at Grand Forks Park District**

**Upcoming Greenway Events:**

**Christmas in the Park:** November 25 – January 1, 2006 in Lincoln Drive Park. Visit [www.grandforksgov.com/greenway](http://www.grandforksgov.com/greenway) for more details.

**Santa Village:** December 5 – 11 at Lincoln Golf Clubhouse. Call 701-746-2750 or visit [www.gfparks.org](http://www.gfparks.org) for more details.

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