

**Greenway Technical Committee Staff  
Meeting Notes  
Grand Forks Park District  
10:30 AM – Tuesday, November 21, 2006**

Ann Sande, Friends of the Greenway  
David Hampsten, GF/EGF MPO  
Marty Egelund, ND Game & Fish  
Laura Munski, Dakota Science Center  
Corey Birkholz, Options

Dave Aker, EGF Parks & Rec.  
Sgt. Jeff Burgess, GF Police  
Lonny Winrich  
Steve Mullaly, GF Park District  
Kim Greendahl, City of GF

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- I. **National Trails Designation application:** The application has been sent and received by the national office. We should hear from that office after December 1 if the application is being considered; notification of decisions might not happen until early June.
  
- II. **Recreational trails for winter:** In Grand Forks the trails in Phases III & IV are still closed until turned over to the city, which could happen early 2007. The committee would like to meet again as staff to discuss the overall plans for grooming and plowing trails for the winter. Steve stated that he rode the trails with Mark Aubol, GF Street Department, and has made those decisions for GF. Kim will send him a map of trail lengths that are still closed because of construction in the area. Dave would like to discuss this issue as it ties into EGF. ADA requirements may prohibit the packing of snow for use as a walking path if a plowed path is not available as well. Kim will look into this.
  
- III. **Agency Updates:**
  - A. **City of GF:** Council has adopted the Greenway ordinances, which give legal support to items of the Greenway Rules and Regulations that are not covered in current city ordinances. The significant changes were changing the park operations hours to 5:00 am to 11:00 pm and separating the glass bottle issue from the kegs. Glass bottles will be prohibited but kegs are allowed with a permit. Phase III and IV are winding down but have not been turned over to the city. Pre-final inspections will be done November 29. Police Department is still working on a plan for patrolling the Greenway. Reserve officers will be used for the atv, snowmobile and bike patrols to save on costs.
  - B. **City of EGF:** Dave has put together a bike advisory committee for EGF. They will be meeting in December.
  - C. **GF Park District:** Santa Village will be at the Lincoln Golf Clubhouse again this year.
  - D. **MN DNR:** No report.

#### IV. Other:

- **Dog Park:** Where is this issue at? Steve stated that attempts by the GF Park District to install a dog park in parks near neighborhoods have been unsuccessful. People are reluctant to have the dogs near their neighborhoods. Steve stated that he believes there is an area in Lincoln Drive Park that may work for a dog park. Kim will contact Steve at a later date to discuss his proposal.
- **Dog bag stations:** A local boy scout brought this project to the City of Grand Forks Engineering Department in early 2005. He is working toward his Eagle Scout designation by building 14 – 15 dog sanitation bag holders to be installed in the Greenway. Kim has offered some to EGF and Dave will take a few for a test run.
- **Friends of the Greenway:** They have not met for many months but have been considering a meeting soon.
- **Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO):** The recent application for Bicycle Friendly Community received Honorable Mention for the second year in a row. David is waiting for a letter outlining the weaknesses in the application before announcing the designation to the public.
- **Dakota Science Center:** The Learning Trunks for teachers to use in the Greenway are almost complete.

#### V. Next Greenway Technical Committee Mtg.: Tuesday, January 9, 2007, 10:30 am at the Grand Forks Park District Office

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