

**Greenway Technical Committee  
Meeting Notes  
Grand Forks Park District Conference Room  
10:30 AM February 11, 2003**

Gladwin Lynne, MN DNR	Scott McNamee
Brad Dokken, GF Herald	Kelly Krabbenhoft, Audubon Dakota
Melanie Parvey-Biby, City of GF	John Winter, MN DNR
Dale Skyberg, EGF Parks & Rec	Ann Sande, Friends of the Greenway
Greg Boppre, Floan-Sanders, Inc.	Sgt. Keith Schroeder, GF Police Dept.
Marty Egeland, ND Game & Fish	Steve Renslow, RR Snowmobile Club
Karl McKinnon, Dakota Science Center	Bryce Anderson, MN DNR-Parks
Steve DeMers, EGF Police Dept.	Helen Cozzetto, MN DNR
Steve Mullally, GF Park District	Kim Greendahl, City of Grand Forks

Introductions were done.

**Map Update:**

Melanie shared the current (12/02/03) map with the committee. Although it is a work in progress, the purpose of the map is to educate the public on current and future projects. The Grand Forks Herald ran an article in late November highlighting the map. Melanie noted that the map has a lot of logos representing all the managing agencies, which tends to make the map look cluttered.

**Committee Comments:**

- The light green area does not recognize it as a campground. That can be changed.
- The trail system should be one color, with dashed lines for the uncompleted sections, instead of different colors. Bryce's department is trying to develop a map that doesn't become outdated too quickly.
- The inclusion of local indicators for visitors is important. These will make the map relevant to the area.
- Can the downtown area be shaded for a point of reference? Yes.
- Can a larger area map, showing the relation to I-29, Fargo, etc. be included somewhere? Bryce is considering a more regional map in the kiosks.
- Can snowmobile paths be added? Not yet. Not all of the Grand Forks routes have been approved yet. Developing winter and summer maps may make more sense.

**Logo:**

Kelly shared examples of how a local and regional project sign program works on the east coast. Sometimes the regional project logo is used in the background of signage with the local over top or a directional symbol with both logos below. The Greenway on the Red organization may work with a graphics arts school to develop a logo for the Greenway on the Red Project. This project spans the space along the Red River between Lake Traverse, SD and Lake Winnipeg, MB.

**Committee Comments:**

- We have been referring to this as the Greenway Project. If the Greenway Project is working, why change it?

- ❑ Too many logos are being used at this time.
- ❑ The Friends of the Greenway was displayed. Helen talked about the significance of the leaf and rivers
- ❑ Should we use the Grand Cities moniker? The committee agreed that Grand Cities is not a good locator on maps.
- ❑ Locals will recognize the logo, guests will see the Grand Forks-East Grand Forks and cottonwood leaf.
- ❑ Do we need a trademark? Kelly stated that the Greenway on the Red was considering that, but because every time someone wants to use it, they need permission, it can be time consuming. They are not copyrighting theirs.
- ❑ Suggested that the group stay away from box logos, as it reduces your flexibility for graphics.
- ❑ Should we do a public input campaign through the media and website? The group would reserve the right not to select the top vote getter. This would strictly be an educational/promotional opportunity.

**The group decided to keep the title as “The Greenway” and not pursue copyrighting.**

The group would like to develop and keep the brand already established with the Cottonwood leaf. The logo fits well into newspaper columns, etc. The logo can be customized for each individual organizations needs.

**The group selected the simple logo stating “The Greenway” with the words Grand Forks – East Grand Forks beneath. The leaf will be green, with the rivers in red.**

- **Kim will do a news release when the final logo is ready.**
- **Brad will be doing a story in the Grand Forks Herald.**
- **Bryce will make the changes and forward to Melanie.**

### **User Rules and Regulations**

#### **Hours of Operation:**

- ❑ ND Game & Fish would not support an 11 PM closing time because it would interfere with catfishing hours. Discussion regarding how setting a time frame for the park closing allows law enforcement to have probable cause to approach anyone in the Greenway area after 11 PM. If the person is fishing and not causing problems, the officer has the discretion not to pursue any further action.
- ❑ ND Game & Fish also requested that the bow and arrow section of the firearms and weapons section be eliminated so as not to hinder bow fishing in the river. The group determined that this was not necessary, as bow fishing is not often used on the Red River.

#### **Alcohol:**

##### **Committee Comments:**

- ❑ Is policy of alcohol only in designated areas a new policy? No. This has always been the law, but has always been at the officer’s discretion. The difference is that it has never been posted before.
- ❑ Can we overlook the whole alcohol issue? Shouldn’t. That will set a precedent
- ❑ Sgt. Schroeder will check into developing a policy statement on officer discretion at the Grand Forks Police Department in regards to fishing.

**Horses:****Committee Comments:**

- Will they be allowed? Only in designated areas. Horses tend to do significant damage to trails and properties. This policy would also include reindeer.
- **Kim will send a revised copy of the Rules and Regulations to the four agencies to be forwarded to their legal departments.**

**Interpretive Plaques**

Bryce distributed a draft plan for Greenway panel themes he thought should be included on the kiosks. Looking for input from Grand Forks, could consider changing DNR themes if Grand Forks was planning to use some of the suggested themes.

**Other:**

The boat launch on Red Lake River is still planned at Murray Bridge.

**Greenway Clean Up Day**

Kim would like to begin for a sub-committee to start planning a Greenway Clean Up Day for this spring. Volunteers were Friends of the Greenway (Ann will ask the group for a volunteer), Karl, Steve R., Helen, and Gladwin. The first meeting is set for Monday, March 3, at 10:30 room A302 of Grand Forks City Hall.

Minutes submitted by Kim Greendahl, Greenway Specialist