

**IOWA MISSISSIPPI RIVER PARKWAY COMMISSION**  
**April 23, 2015**  
**Best Western Kelly Inn restaurant, 100 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue S, St. Cloud, MN**

**ROLL CALL**

- Commissioners Present: John Goodmann, Deb Jochims, Edith Pfeffer, Jane Regan, Jay Schweizer, and Scott Tunnicliff
- Technical Committee Members Present: Mary Stahlhut of IDOT

**WELCOME**

- John Goodman welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:10.

**APPROVAL OF March 23, 2015 MEETING MINUTES**

- Edith Pfeffer moved and Jane Regan seconded to approve the March 23, 2015 minutes. Approved.

**TREASURER REPORT AND APPROVAL**

- Budget Review
  - Mary Stahlhut passed out the 4/20/15 Iowa MRPC Annual Budget Expense Report SF (Attachment 1). The total paid to date is \$20,095.87. Scott Tunnicliff moved and Jay Schweizer seconded to approve the report. Approved.
  - RC&D contacted the organization of convenient stores in NE Iowa to include all the convenient stores along the byways and the GRR was included. In SE Iowa there is only one other byway and it does not connect with the GRR.

**REPORTS**

- Executive Board Workshop
  - John relayed they did a lot of long term planning and it will be shared today to a certain extent, but more so at the annual meeting.
  - They visited about NatGeo. They still have not had a vote. John thinks the board will be split. He thinks the site will be built, but whether we pay for it or not, is uncertain.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

- Edith invited commissioners next week to 2015 Annual Tourism Awards sponsored by Clinton CV&B. It will be Wednesday 4/29 from 5:30 – 7:30 at the Tuscany Special Events Center at Rastrelli's, 238 Main Ave, Clinton. IGRR is getting an honor.
- Mary brought samples of business cards (Attachment 2). We do not want our addresses on them. Mary sent an e-mail regarding the last example discussing "point, point, point". She will follow up with us. DOT will internally print 250 of them. She will confirm before printing to make sure the information is correct for each commissioner. She will also include the national website.
- Next meeting
  - Mary said Shawna suggested a speaker from the Iowa Economic Commission for our next meeting. We will meet Tuesday, July 7<sup>th</sup> in the Quad Cities at 10:00 am. Scott will arrange a meeting location. Mary will contact Shawna and they might have a location suggestion.
- Jane mentioned we have two counties who don't attend meetings. We should politely suggest to them to resign if they can't attend. Or we could do a weekend meeting and call it a retreat.

## **CORRIDOR MANAGEMENT PLAN (CMP)**

- Publication and Promotion Plan Update
  - Attachment 3 “Injury Crashes along the GRR Scenic Byway Des Moines County, IA 2004-2013”. Mary said this is something for each county that will be in the CMP.
- Spring 2015 Public Meeting Schedule
  - Meetings are to be held in Guttenberg, Davenport and Burlington progressing from South to North. Suggestions of key people to invite are the county engineer, a key council member or mayor, CVB, IC, transportation person (DOT), Bi-states regional planning commission, and/or the city planner. Pick people who are leaders who will talk about this. Follow up with the invitees to see if they can attend. “We’ve been working on this for three years and this is a big deal, so please attend.”

Edith moved and Jay seconded to adjourn. Approved. Adjourned at 8:14.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Jochims, Recording Secretary