

**GRAND JUNCTION/MESA COUNTY
RIVERFRONT COMMISSION MEETING
JULY 21, 1992**

The Meeting was called to order at 7:40 P.M.. Those present from the Commission:

Bill Ela	Ken Nesbitt
Jane Quimby	R.T. Mantlo
Pat Gormley	Bill Graham

Also present: Gary Whittington, Kurt Mill, Suzanne Williams, Joe Skinner, Bruce Manchee, Helen Traylor, Bob Carlson and Stephanie Schmid.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of June 16, 1992 were approved as submitted.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jon Dyer of Dyer Construction has offered to finish the roof of the Connected Lakes kiosk. He will supply some of the materials and the labor.

As of this date, no applications have been received for the two vacant Commission positions.

The Tabeguache Trail tour of fall colors will be September 26 -29, 1992.

Helen Traylor has provided a summary of time donated by Ciavonne and Associates in designing the Roessler Memorial shade structure.

Whittington, a member of the Fruita Town Council was welcomed to the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Riverfront Posters

Central Bank plans to print a set of four posters depicting the birds, flora and fauna, geography and history of the Colorado River in Mesa County. Graphic artist, Bruce Manchee has done the illustrations and the text for the posters. Central Bank would like to give the school district sets of the posters for display and instructional use in the classrooms. The remainder of the posters would be available for display in kiosks along the Riverfront trails and for promotional purposes on behalf of the Riverfront Foundation.

It was agreed that Bill Graham, Kurt Mill, Helen Traylor, Bruce Manchee, Joe Skinner and Stephanie Schmid would meet at Central

Bank on Tuesday, July 28, 1992 to discuss the possible uses of the posters and would report back to the Commission at the August meeting.

Trail Maps

Discussion of the update of the Riverfront trail maps was deferred until the August meeting.

Parks, Recreation & Open Space Master Plan

Commission members were given copies of the Park, Recreation, & Open Space Master Plan for the City of Grand Junction Progress Report for their review and comment. The Master Plan will be discussed at the August meeting when City Parks and Recreation director Ted Novak will be present.

Design RFP for Blue Heron II - Bennett Boeschstein

Bennett Boeschstein was unable to attend the meeting. Discussion of the RFP was tabled until August.

Motion: Graham/Gormley to table discussion on the Blue Heron II RFP until August and until it has been determined that there are funds available to pay for the design phase.

Motion was passed.

Adopt-a Trail

Questionnaires were again distributed for the Commission members to make their comments on a policy for allowing civic groups to adopt and maintain segments of the trail system. A summary of the questionnaire results will be presented at the August meeting.

Telephone Follow-Up on the B.L.M Letter

After a brief discussion, it was agreed that the Commission does not wish to conduct a telephone follow-up campaign on the B.L.M. comment form that was sent to the Friends of the River mailing list.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trails

Nothing to report.

Parks

Bob Carlson of State Parks gave a brief update on the progress at Connected Lakes.

Administration

Stephanie Schmid provided the Commission with current financial statements which reflect year-to-date activity for the Commission as well as the following requested modifications:

- * Creation of a restricted fund on the balance sheet to separate the \$7,500 contribution from the Colorado River Water Conservation District from unrestricted cash available for operations.
- * Recording the Riverfront Foundation contribution of \$2,375 for the purchase of a computer and an expense on the part of the Commission for its acquisition.
- * Creation of a contingency fund in the budget in order to bring it into compliance with zero based budgeting practices.

Operations

State Parks and Recreation should have a representative on the bench standards committee. Kurt Mill was asked to choose someone from State Parks to serve on that committee.

The City has requested that their bid for the trail barrier master locks be used by the Riverfront Foundation because the locks are more compatible with those already in use by the Parks Department. The Foundation has agreed to contribute \$500 from maintenance fund interest income toward the purchase of the locks.

Intergovernmental

Nothing to report.

Finance

A meeting of Foundation board members will be held to discuss Foundation finances particularly in reference to the funding of the Blue Heron II trail design and construction.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Suzanne Williams announced that the Summer newsletter will be mailed in approximately two weeks.

Helen Traylor hopes that the Roessler Memorial will be done in two weeks and requested that the City be asked what their schedule is for weed control on Blue Heron I.

It was suggested that the Riverfront Commission should not approve planting efforts unless they include a maintenance plan.

Motion: Graham/Mantlo to require a maintenance plan along with any proposed landscaping activities on the Riverfront trail system.

Motion was passed.

Roger Moore has asked for suggestions for possible Eagle Scout projects along the riverfront. Please contact Roger at 243-1642 or the Riverfront Commission office at 245-0045.

Several members of the Commission expressed an interest in reprinting the Audubon trail brochure.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 P.M.