

**COLORADO RIVERFRONT COMMISSION
683-4333**

Riverfront Commission

**Minutes
February 21, 2006**

Called to Order

Meeting called to order at 5:35pm by co-chair John Gormley. Those present from the Commission were:

John Gormley	Dennis DeVore	Dennis Pretti
Kathy Herzog	Marianne Tilden	Dave Soker
Michael Kuzminski	Deb McCoy	David Ludlum
Lesley Kibel		

Also present were Mark Relph, Tillie Bishop, Paul Darr and Michele Rohrbach.

Approval

Dennis P./Deb. Motion passed.

Announcements

Retreat will be April 22nd. Social to follow that evening.

IGA float trip will be Friday, June 2nd. Looking at starting in DeBeque or Gunnison.

New Business

Introduced Mark Relph with the City of Grand Junction. Mark showed PowerPoint presentation of Riverside Bypass. He then answered questions. Group thanked him for coming and doing presentation.

2006 Concert Series T-Shirts - Marianne said having high schools do watercolor artwork. Ask them to keep to four colors. Students work will be auctioned off with half the money going to RFF and half to school. Dennis P. doesn't think selling t-shirts is a good fundraiser. Questions asked if need date or concerts. Talked about using t-shirts as regular RFC t-shirt. Discussed raffle license and sale of tickets. Dennis P. thinks its RFF responsibility to raise funds.

RFC PR ideas – Dave S. talked about people being unaware of RFC trail. Wants to promote trails, river, RFC and RFF donations and volunteers. Need to get community

support for entire trail system. RFF book needs to be at library, high schools and Mesa State. Static exhibit with RFC message placed at events (inside and outside). Mentioned Bennett working on PBS. Need articles in newspaper with news releases. Hold events down on trail system. Need to reach out to other organizations. Oral history project/video project at museum – thinks original RFC members should be interviewed before any more founding members leave us. John said good ideas. Kathy said she'd help Dave. Dennis P. thinks working with Mesa State a good idea.

There was no further new business.

Old Business

Talked about inventory list. Passed out a “Trail Database Info Collection Form”. Past members to attend next meeting. Michele to remind everyone of their segment. Dennis D. to enter info into database.

There was no further old business.

Committee Reports

Urban Trails Partners Update – Continue work on LiveWell. Robert Traylor still working on canal banks. Working with City Planners on priority links (1997 UTC Master Plan).

Partners – John updated on water park – about 90 to 120 days out before know if a go or not. Big Salt Wash Trail tamarisk removal by summer. Snooks Bottom – Fishing is Fun grant has go ahead. Elam to begin work. Improvements continue at Riverbend Park. Tamarisk clean up meeting on 3/29. Clifton/Fruitvale Plan – meeting on 3/28, 4:30pm to 6:30pm (32 to 34 Road). David L. thinks there are some good opportunities there.

Public Comment

Dave S. talked about the labor camps in Palisade and the importance of their history.

Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 6:45pm.