

**COLORADO RIVERFRONT COMMISSION
683-4333**

Riverfront Commission

**Minutes
May 20, 2008**

Called to Order

Meeting called to order at 5:30pm by co-chair John Gormley. Those present from the Commission were:

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| John Gormley | Dennis DeVore | Bennett Boeschstein | Katie Steele |
| Dave Soker | Ken Henry | Kathy Herzog | |

Also present were Brad Taylor and Michele Rohrbach.

Approval – Dennis/Katie. Motion passed.

Announcements – Michele talked about the winning artwork for the t-shirt concerts. She had 1st, 2nd and 3rd place pieces on display.

Talked about the concert schedule.

IGA float trip on Friday, June 6th.

There were no further announcements.

New Business

T-shirt table sign up – John August 20th. Told everyone to think about what date they want to sign up for. Michele will have sign up sheets at the June meeting.

CDA Family Fun Night – Michele explained what it is and that they would like to have the RFC, UTC and any other interested group down there with tables and information on Monday nights, 6pm to 8pm at the Botanic Gardens, starting on June 16th and going through to August 11th.

PR Insert – Kathy talked about the Sunday insert, the advertising and what insert could look like: String of Pearls, weave history throughout, history, current and future projects.

There was no further new business.

Old Business

Congratulated Ken on being new Mayor of Fruita.

Updates – Old Fruita Bridge still standing. Was told the river will peak this weekend. Within \$20,000 (if still standing).

Authorizing transfer of 88 acre parcel out by refinery from State Parks to City of Fruita. ? miles of trail. Part of construction for water treatment plant.

Working on finalizing trail planning comprehensive trail and parks plan. Have applied for GOCO grant.

Will be appointing Ken's replacement tonight.

Video – Bennett saw first cut today – 26 minutes. Only comment – had only talking heads. B tape has people using trail. St. Mary's will be donating helicopter and RFF helped to purchase a non-shaking lens. Will go up the next week or two.

Old Spanish Trail – Katie stated Bennett helped her with the project. She talked about easement which is 60' wide that dates back to 1800's. Been to meetings with planning department, etc. Whitewater developer has seen map. Have given City Planning copies of everything. Hopeful everyone is now on the same page. Trailhead is old tree farm of City of Grand Junction. Bennett has talked with Shawn Cooper about redoing the trailhead.

Robb's River Rally (formerly known as Ride for Robb) – changed the name because wanted it to be more inclusive. Talked about having a booth at the CDA event and Farmers Market. RFF will handle insurance.

There was no further old business.

Committee Reports

UTC – Tim unable to attend so Michele gave a brief update.

Partners - Brad talked about CAAE Award received for partnership. Two students wrote to KJCT and last night KJCT awarded them \$1,000 for tools, etc. to the school based on their letter. He talked about need for buffer with explosion of development out in Pear Park area. John asked if Brad had heard what Harold Elam plans were for property at 29 Road. Talked about Brad's need for funding. Dave asked about the \$ amounts needed.

Discussed Brady Trucking deal falling through with the Trust for Public Lands.

Bennett passed around map of park area he visited while in NW area of Las Vegas – spring for which Las Vegas was named.

Dave will be talking to Palisade trustees. July meeting will be in Palisade. He has asked Rebecca at County GIS to do a map for him.

Public Comment – there was no public comment.

Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm.