

**COLORADO RIVERFRONT COMMISSION
683-4333**

Riverfront Commission

**Minutes
October 20, 2009**

Called to Order

Meeting called to order at 5:25pm by co-chair John Gormley. Those present from the Commission were:

John Gormley	Dennis DeVore	Ken Henry
Katie Steele	Brian Meinhart	Gust Panos
Reg Price	Kathy Herzog	Bennett Boeschstein
Dennis Pretti		

Also present Dave Soker, Mark Williams and Michele Rohrbach.

Approval – Ken/Katie. Motion passed.

Announcements – RFC office will be closed on October 22nd.

New Business – Funding issue – City is looking at possibility of cutting RFC funding. City still working on their budget for next year.

UTC – John talked about conversation he had with Julie about commuting members feel trails need signage. John said need to keep other entities in process. Bennett said topic has been discussed at trail host meeting. Bennett will stay on top of it.

Old Business – There was no old business.

Updates

Fruita – Passing second reading of “Mary Jane” dispensary rules. IIG close to working out deal – ¾ mile of trail and think will donate to Fruita. Nothing on Compton property. County has approached RFF. Mr. Compton was Grand Marshall of Fruita Fall Fest.

Fruita Bridge – Met with the historical society, lower valley group and Daughters of ? regarding bridge. South pier will be done in December.

GOCO project update – County has closed on Hoey property. Design work being done. Clifton Sand has opened new plant. City is working on LNTFW.

BLM Resource Plan – Paul is hunting - no report.

Robb River Rally – Katie and Dennis both resigned as co-chairs. Gust has agreed to call meeting after the first of the year. Gust talked about changing rally to getting program into school curriculum. Evaluations have been sent to booth participants. John suggested working with Gardens and doing concert. Need to see if there are strings attached to Chevron's money. Will bring up suggestions to Maggie and group in January.

Speakers Bureau/PR – Kathy passed around John's talking points. Michele will have laminated and put them in laptop case. Brian is interested in doing presentations but feels he's still really new.

Tamarisk Coalition – TC and Army Corps are still trying to work out the sponsorship role. TC really does not want to take on the ongoing maintenance issue. Other entities not interested either because of constant budget issues. Lots of strings attached which is concerning concern.

KAFM – Bennett said he is in need of a guest. Suggested he contact Stacy at the Tamarisk Coalition.

Riverfront-Right-of-Way – Dennis gave history of group. Greg Linza is chair. Lots going on – County has hired two agents to work on getting easements acquired. Has submitted for an application for a GOCO grant for this project. Grant is for design application between Fruita and Walter Walker. Will also work on design from Redlands Parkway to 20 Road.

Map – Dennis talked about concerns and some changes necessary to make new map.

Committee Reports

UTC – Mark thanked RFC for Michele's services. Still working on reviewing plans for the City. Biz has formed a bicycle task force and group is moving forward with their mission. Mark met with GVIC and he said they are not interested in trails along the canals in any way shape or form.

Partners Report – Paul is hunting – no report.

Public Comment – Dave Soker just wanted to see what's going on.

Bennett passed around a few of his 400+ slides from his European trip. River is very revered over there.

Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 6:25pm.