

**COLORADO RIVERFRONT COMMISSION
245-0045**

**Urban Trails Committee
Minutes
March 11, 2003**

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 5:45pm by co-chair, Robert Traylor. Those present from the Committee were:

Robert Traylor
Birgit Bostelman
Tim Fry

Janet Hollingsworth
Judy Craddock

Also present were Shawn Cooper, George Miller and Michele Rohrbach.

Approval of Minutes

There was not a quorum present at 5:45pm. 6:10pm quorum present, Janet/Tim motioned to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

Announcements

Michele informed the group that the April and May meeting will be upstairs on the third floor in one of the training rooms.

There were no further announcements.

Old Business

There was no old business.

Committee Updates

Ken was unable to attend but did email Michele that he didn't have anything to report.

Canal Banks – Robert said he/Jamie and Dan Wilson put together responses to GVIC's concerns in written form. Robert said they agreed with most of GVIC's concerns. GVIC wants to close canal trails during winter months. Jamie/Dan/Joe Stevens traveled north side of canal from Canyon View to 31 okay.

Robert said he attended the Bicycle Colorado meeting at the City Auditorium a couple of weeks ago. He said the group is more radical than UTC. He talked to them about what UTC is doing

and how their group needs to attend meetings to voice their opinion on more bike lanes, etc. Robert informed Judy that they have PSA's and that she might want to contact them to take a look at what they have.

Property Trade – Tim has met with Dick Innis. Looks promising but will take the continued efforts of UTC.

Discussed letter for Mr. Innis to sign with the following points: 1) land of equal value and size for trade; 2) land acquired would be put into conservation easement; 3) granting easement across property he is acquiring and his current property owned; 4) cleaning up issue of Desert Hill area; 5) cash – expense involved, willing to put in cash to cover costs involved. Tim said he has agreed to 1, 2 and 3. 4 is a bit of a problem and could make or break the deal. Mr. Innis suggested a different access to E ½ Rd but Tim informed him that isn't something that UTC is looking at. Tim will continue to look into easement issue #5. Mr. Innis is agreeable and will put some money into the deal. Tim asked if anyone knows Bob McFarland who is a local golf course designer. Shawn reminded Tim to stay in touch with Doug Jones. Robert said UTC could approach RFF for money to help. Mr. Innis said he's willing to put up some funds to help.

George asked if it would be easier to work towards a small step – Escondido Ct. strip.

Shawn talked about reason Doug doesn't want people crossing golf course. Shawn said there isn't a sense of urgency since this is so far down the road.

Outreach/Public Awareness – Judy said she's working on PSA's and needs to get "copy" emailed out for input for members.

June 21st is the date for the UTC/RFC celebration for National Trails Month. Michele asked if Lorna with the Botanic Gardens had been contacted. Janet said Diana was going to contact her, Janet said if she hasn't, they will make sure to contact her. Janet added the trail host program would be participating.

New Business

There was no new business.

General Comment

Judy asked if anyone has heard about critical mass bike ride on Friday afternoons, no one in the group had.

Public Comment

George asked for clarification on points made to GVIC. Robert said he'd get him a copy.

There was no further public comment.

Adjournment - Meeting adjourned at 6:40pm.