

**COLORADO RIVERFRONT COMMISSION
683-4333**

Riverfront Commission

**Minutes
September 18, 2012**

Called to Order:

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

Katie Steele Frank Watt Karen Jefferson Cliff Sprinkle
Jason Bailey

Also present were Dave Grossman with Urban Trails Committee (UTC), Pete Firmin with Parks and Wildlife, Al Pfister, Riverfront Partners Coordinator, Mike Vendagna with the City of Grand Junction Parks & Rec Dept. and Michele Rohrbach.

Approval – Page 2, second paragraph, first sentence; should be parameters, not perimeters. Quorum not present.

Announcements – Official name of the new trail is Monument View.
Tour of the Moon – still need volunteers for Friday and Saturday.

New Business –

RFF/RFC retreat – will be a little different than usual, just RFF and RFC members. Looking at April 6th. Location and time to be determined.

Los Colonias and Matchett – City is looking at both on a dual track. Matchett would take pressure off of Canyon View. Los Colonias will be more passage with disk golf. Discussion of putting in grass area with possible waterpark and civic center. Kannah Creek Brewery is still moving forward with plans to build down there. Katie pointed out that it should be Las not Los.

There was further new business.

Old Business –

Strategic Planning – Brad Taylor will be chairing. Stacy Beaugh, Karen Jefferson, Al Pfister will also be participating. Brad plans on using CMU students again this fall. Cliff would like to volunteer.

Safety and Signage – Frank said group did a tour about a month ago starting at Clifton Nature Center and made it to Botanic Gardens. Will be doing another tour on September 28th starting at 9:00am at Botanic Gardens to Walter Walker. Looking at signage and trail damage. Greg Linza will be working on Emergency Service Markers and looking at adding mileage. Katie has invited Chip MacIntyre with the GJPD to attend the IGA meetings. Mike suggested inviting the

HOT team. Mike will get contact info to Katie. Official members – Frank Watt, Brad Taylor and Michele. Frank wants as many people as possible to participate. Katie said she'd like to be on the committee too.

Government Relations – Co-chairs Ken Henry and Brian Meinhart, others wanting to be involved Al Pfister, Leila Milliken, Stacy Beaugh and Jason Bailey

History – Brian Meinhart, Leila Milliken, Cliff Sprinkle

Media Relations – Brian Meinhart, Brad Taylor, Karen Jefferson, Katie Steele and Michele
Katie said that Cobb and Associates has given a proposal and worked the budget so we can use them to help get Social Media (Facebook, Twitter).

Outreach – Katie Steele, Karen Jefferson – rolled the 25th Committee into this committee.

Get Kids Outdoor – Leila is at School District 51 presenting a \$6,000 check (Chevron gave \$3,000 and \$3,000 match from RFF). Funds will be used to transports kids to outside areas along the riverfront trail.

Updates:

Brady Trucking – will be put before City residents to vote on in April. Brady is planning on allocating a 50' easement with a privacy fence.

Town of Palisade – Winefest went really well.

KAFM – Greg Linza was on last month. Need someone for this month – Bennett may see if Greg Trainor can attend.

Committee Reports:

UTC – City gave a presentation to Lincoln Park renovation to improve infrastructure within the park. City will be doing an arboretum trail with identifying signs on trees and plants where users can use their smart phones to get info on the species. Will be upgrading the playground area, the restrooms and renovate the tennis courts. Looking at adding more trail connections into and out of the park. City will also be removing the circle drive within the park and replacing it with grass. North Avenue meeting being held tonight. Bicycle/Walking Summit on Friday, March 8th with Urban Trail being the host of the event. Will have four components: Economic, Recreational, Health,

State Park – Construction drawings need to be finalized for trail connecting Fruita. Looking at trying to get funding for the new logo needed on all signs.

Public Comment –

There was no public comment.

Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 6:30pm.