River and Trails Task Force Minutes
Monday, July 12, 2021.
Bjoin Park Shelter, 200 E. Wilson Street, Stoughton.

Present: Jon Lewis, Jim Wilcox, Nancy Hagen, Bob Diebel, Joni Dean, Jim Killian, Dan Glynn and new Council Person Rachel Venegas.

CALL TO ORDER

1. Call to order by Jim K. at 1734 as Sandra is out of town.
2. May 3, 2021 Minutes: Approved by Jim W with a second by Jon. Carried.
3. Communications:
   a) Yahara River Park Update: Dan described an updated model which is near a council decision to move forward. He shared the Stoughton Whitewater Park Project Schedule which includes project start and end dates with anticipation of construction in 2024. Bob shared a flyer that was provided to patrons at the recent Stoughton Junior Fair with inaccurate facts. A video is being produced which explains the details of the park project.
   b) Sustainability Committee: Looking for members to promote green initiatives. Dan reported that Public Works is looking for volunteers for the prairie.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

4. 2022-26 CIP – Trail Projects (Discussion and possible action): Nancy, on behalf of the Historical Society, would like signage in the RDA Development that explains the history of the property. Dan agreed this was already in the works. Nancy thought a sign should be erected to inform the public about the landfill pollution once the restrictions are lifted on the Amundson landfill and the fence is removed and also discuss the benefits of wetlands.
5. Highway 51 Project (Discussion and possible action): Dan shared a handout on the US 51 Corridor Reconstruction for discussion including pedestrian and bicycle accommodations. Dan shared a Surface Water Data Viewer Map with cost estimates for Project A: Buckingham Road to Jackson Street and Project B: Buckingham Road to Roby Road.
6. Future Agenda Items: Discussed roots coming up on a portion of the trail with other questions about whether the trail can be plowed in the winter to encourage use. Discussed the Arnett property on North Page Street to confirm land will be available for the trail to pass through his development.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 1849 by Nancy with a second by Bob.

Respectfully submitted,

Joni Dean