River and Trails Task Force minutes: July 8,2019

Present: Jon Lewis, Jim Wilcox, Sandra Black, Phil Caravello, Parks and Recreational Director Dan Glynn, Ralph Erickson, Nancy Hagen, Larry Liebmann, Jim Killian

1. Motion by Sandra seconded by Jon to approve May 6, 2019 minutes. Carried

Communications:

2. Grant proposal submitted to the DNR. Timeline is getting organized by the city for projected projects. Money for projects may be available by March 2020.

Phase 1: Riverbank restoration, Pedestrian bridge, trail design and riverbank access for Mandt park all being addressed. Sampling of river sediments underway.

Phase 2: White water park analysis underway.

3. Division Street park plantings: Sandra looking for help to weed and identify plants. Suggestions of a spring burn in 2020 may help.

4.. Dan shared pictures of different Riverwalk landscapes. He will mail the pictures to the committee along with a survey about the options.

5. City has taken care of branches on the river trail. Thank you.

6. Jim Wilcox reports about IKI meeting. Dan had sent a letter to the new owners and Jim followed up with making contact at the main office. Discussions are ongoing and Jim will report at next meeting any changes.

Old Business:

7. Updated trail maps were discussed. Jim Killian is looking for map records stored on a computer. Adding the Counties map of the lower Yahara river trail system was suggested.

8. Future agenda items: River walk designs.

9. Motion to adjourn by Hagen seconded by Ralph at 6:30. Carried Respectfully submitted, Nancy Hagen