River and Trails Task Force Minutes
Monday, January 6, 2020
Hall of Fame Room

Present: Jon Lewis, Sandra Black, Nancy Hagen, Joni Dean, Larry Liebmann, Ralph Erickson, Phil Caravello, Dan Glynn.

CALL TO ORDER

1. Call to order: Called to order at 5:32 pm by Chair Ralph Erickson.
2. November 4, 2019 Minutes. With the addition of "multiple" samples taken from the Millpond, under F, the minutes were approved by Nancy with a second by Jon. Carried.
3. Communications:
   a. Project Updates: A public information meeting of the Phase 2 Lower Yahara River Trail will take place at the Pleasant Springs Town Hall on January 15, 2020. The Phase 2 planning will be completed by Fall of 2020.
      Earth Day Clean-Up: Scheduled for April 25, 2020 at 9:00 am. Dan will contact the Scouts and Nancy will contact the Tower Times.
      Nancy discussed the "interpretive signs" that were placed on the trail many years ago as an Eagle Scout project as the signs are deteriorating over time. Decided to earmark this as a future Scout project and encouraging the final signage to be reviewed by the Tree Commission before placement.
   b. Yahara Riverfront Development: A senior student has taken on this project as part of a University of Wisconsin Capstone Project. Dan shared a power point of the project which is due at the end of the semester. There will be a public meeting at 7:00 pm at the Stoughton High School on January 29, 2020 where Dan will give a history of the project and include a design of the park. Dan shared the presentation with the group this evening. Other interested parties will be available at that public meeting.
   c. Mandt Park Master Plan: A draft preferable plan was shared, which can be viewed on the City website. This plan will be refined for Parks and Recreation before presentation to the City Council.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Updated Trail Maps: Dan explored Art Maps but the cost is steep and it was decided to wait until future work with the whitewater park is completed before making all the new maps.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Future Agenda Items: Phil discussed a proposed trail from Kwik Trip east to Vernon Street where the land has been cleared for power lines. Nancy discussed reviewing a spot on the west trail close to the Business Park which has been cleared with full view of the Business Park.

ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting will take place on March 2, 2020 at 5:30 pm. The meeting was adjourned at 6:43 pm with a motion by Nancy and a second by Jon. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Joni Dean