River and Trails Task Force Minutes Monday, September 10, 2018 Ed Overland Room

Present: Jim Wilcox, Sandra Black, Bob Diebel, Joni Dean, Ralph Erickson, Franklin James, David Sharpe, Councilperson Phil Caravello, Dan Glynn.

CALL TO ORDER

- 1. Call to order: Called to order at 1730 by Chair Ralph Erickson.
- 2. July 9, 2018 Minutes. Approved by Sandra with a second by Franklin. Carried.
- 3. Communications:
 - a. Update on the Whitewater Park Project: Dan reported that the economic impact study is 99% complete and sent back to the University of Wisconsin Professor. The visitor impacts to the city were based on nine different parks. Bob is the committee representative on the Steering Committee which met for the first time three weeks ago where discussion ensued regarding dam removal. The River Alliance is coming to speak at their next meeting about removing the dam which makes an improvement in the water park possibilities. Dan reported the grant is at the administrative level of the DNR and is waiting to hear about a meeting date
 - b. Update on Park and Open Space Plan: Dan reported that the survey is out on the web site. There will be an upcoming story also in the Stoughton Hub. Results will be reported to a public information meeting and then proceed to a City Council meeting.
 - c. Update on bike route sign installation: Phil has installed 26 signs following the restrictions for specific posts. He has 16 signs left to install. These may require separate posts and money will be needed. To discuss at a future meeting.

OLD BUSINESS.

4. Amundson Trail from Stoughton Hospital to Ridge Street. Jim got six bids for the project and chose a company out of Flat Rock, Alabama with a competitive price of \$42,000. Tress on the path will be removed and the trail may go around aesthetic trees. Stone paving will be completed with gravel and limestone chips on the top. The project will take two weeks to complete. The bid has gone to the Council for final approval.

NEW BUSINESS.

5. Future Agenda Items. None to report.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 1812 with a motion by David and a second by Bob. Carried.

Respectfully submitted, Joni Dean