

Members Present: President Joe Krapohl, Vice President Jim Washington, Secretary Bill Lucas, Commissioners Dickerson, Keeler, Lynch, Madore, Nealy, Nolden

Members Absent: Jeff Wright

Staff Present: Amy McMillan, Director; Danielle Fulcher, Marketing Specialist, Nancy Edwards, Programs and Grants; Deborah Wilkes, Secretary; Patrick Linihan, Administrative Intern

Others Present: Tom Kehoe

1) Call to Order. President Krapohl presided and called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2) Opportunity for members of the public to address the commission. Tom Kehoe, 4305 E Stanley commented that the trestle project seemed to go ok. There are some issues with the silt fence and an oil spill that needs to be cleaned up. He asked for the sign to be moved away from his tree. He passed around pictures of the sign and the silt fencing. He planted the tree in 2003 as well as two other trees, with park permission. The silt fence on the east side is in pretty poor condition and the west side doesn't have a silt fence, maybe it should be replaced. He doesn't want the silt any worse than it is in the channel. He is looking to get these issues resolved.

LaMonica Harris 6077 David Berger, Mt Morris, addressed the commission.

3) Consent Agenda. President Krapohl asked commissioners if there are any items they wish to remove from the consent agenda for discussion. No items were removed from the consent agenda.

Action Taken:

Motion by Commissioner Lucas
Supported by Commissioner Keeler

Motion and support for approval of consent agenda items A through D, as listed.

Roll Call

Yeas: Dickerson, Keeler, Krapohl, Lucas, Lynch, Madore, Nealy, Nolden, Washington

Nays: None

Absent: Commissioner Wright is absent.

MOTION CARRIED 9-0

4) Director's Report

A. The Director asked Danielle Fulcher, to present a video of the replacement of the Stepping Stone Falls bridge on the new trail. We are very close to being done with this project. During construction, the old bridge that was replaced actually collapsed. The pre-fab bridge was delivered last week. This is the fourth bridge that has been installed on park properties since she has been director. The project is funded by TAP funds from the Planning Commission and Parks Commission matching funds. The area is not open to the public yet, but the ribbon cutting ceremony will be held shortly.

B. We have an action item today. The C.S. Mott Foundation granted funds to the Parks in the amount of \$1,010,000.00 for the restoration of Engine 152. We have enough hours on #464 to operate during this restoration project. Huckleberry Railroad is governed by the Federal Railroad Administration. Guidelines require that boilers are broken down every so many years with so many hours on them. We are very grateful for the grant and excited about it. We will be working with the Mott Foundation communications staff to issue a press release so everybody knows about the project.