

**MINUTES OF THE
BI-STATE REGIONAL TRAIL COMMITTEE**

Thursday, March 27, 2017, 10:00 a.m.
Scott County Administration Center
6th Floor Room 605B
600 West 4th Street
Davenport, IA

1. Welcome and Introductions. – Mr. Martin opened the meeting by welcoming those in attendance and asked for introductions.
2. Approval of the January 26, 2017 Meeting Minutes. – Without objection, the minutes from the January 26, 2017 were accepted as submitted.
3. Trail Related Activities/Issues/Events. – Mr. Miller provided no further updates on the Stop vs. Yield Sign Letter at this time. Ms. Whitson provided a detailed overview of the status of the QC Trail website, including upcoming public input opportunities, website, statistics, and maintenance updates. Ms. Bulat discussed the closing of the Arsenal Bridge from April through September and its impact it will have on pedestrian traffic. The bridge closed five weeks earlier than expected. Ms. Bulat is going to contact the Army Corp of Engineers to see if she can facilitate a plan to encourage safety and proper use of the ramp for pedestrians and bicyclists.

Mr. Miller is working with legislators on a bill regarding the enforcement of bicyclists to wear a high visible vest while bicycling on roads with a 45 mph and high speed limits. May is National Bike Month and the Get Out and Trail (GOAT) event was promoted. Mr. Grimes mentioned that they are still looking for vendors and sponsors. Mr. Miller mentioned that on May 6 there will be a Bicycle Rodeo in Cumberland Square with Nelson Chiropractic. The event is free and for all ages.

Lastly, the Committee discussed extending the invitation to APBP webinars to elected officials, city staff, engineers, etc. in an effort to increase attendance. The Committee also discussed possibly switching locations for upcoming meetings due to a decrease in attendance. Bi-State will send out an e-mail to gauge what efforts can be made to increase attendance for future meetings.

4. Committee Member Reports. –

City of Buffalo–

Construction of the MRT trail got started again on March 20, 2017. A slight tweak in the project includes tapering the slope right before the pumpkin patch so that travel is safer for bikers. A sidewalk is being built to connect the trail to the rest of the city.

City of Davenport–

Will be reassessing the bike lanes and recommendations provided by *Davenport in Motion*. The City has hired RDG and Alta Consulting to complete the reassessment and to develop a revised plan.

City of Bettendorf–

The Bettendorf Bike and Pedestrian Committee is looking at results they had done on the trails last fall. Will distribute additional surveys this fall. The City is also continuing to promote the use of bike shares and states that they have a lot of serious project interest. Progression of the downtown is moving forward very nicely with plans to construct an upscale apartment complex. There is also a public open house for the downtown realignment of Grant and State Streets at the end of March as the project continues to move forward.

City of Eldridge –

The downtown streetscape project has been moved to summer of 2017.

River Action–

There were no updates provided at this time from River Action.

5. Other Business. – None.
6. Adjournment. – The meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.