

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

Thursday, September 28, 2017 – 10:00 a.m.  
Scott County Administration Center  
6th Floor Conference Room  
600 West 4th Street  
Davenport, Iowa

1. Welcome/Introductions – Mr. Martin opened the meeting by welcoming those in attendance and asked for introductions. (See attached attendance sheet.)
2. Approval of the Meeting Minutes from July 20, 2017 – Without objection, the minutes from the July 20, 2017 meeting were accepted as submitted.
3. Election of Vice-President – Mr. Lynch volunteered to be nominated Vice-President of the Bi-State Regional Trail Committee. He briefly described his interest and experience with designing bicycle facilities in the Quad Cities Region. Mr. Truesdell moved to elect Mr. Lynch Vice-President. Mr. Matthys seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
4. Clinton Bike Share Presentation – Ms. Seely passed out a packet of information regarding the MyBike bike share system in Clinton, Iowa. The Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB) is spearheading the project to introduce the bikes to the city; however, they have yet to receive the bicycles due to snags in production. The bikes are produced by Cygnet in Ames, Iowa. One of the goals of the bike share program is to highlight the community's 4.8 mile long Discovery Trail along the river. The system is app-based and requires a smartphone to access the bike share interface. Users input credit card information into the app, which unlocks a bicycle upon the user's request. When the user is done with the bike, he/she tells the app and disengages the interface. A three-hour rental costs \$8, and an all-day rental costs \$25. Clinton will receive seven docking stations that can be moved to different locations. The system will consist of 20 bikes to begin with, increasing over the next year.

The CVB will oversee the project, but is supported by the City of Clinton through the storage of the bikes in the winter and moving the bikes when needed. The maintenance of the bikes will be the responsibility of the CVB. Theft of the bikes is deterred by saving the GPS data on the user's phone. Sponsorships are available on the bikes themselves as well as the bike docking stations for \$500 per bike or \$250 per station. Local hospitals and medical groups are taking part in promotions and sponsorships. The overall system cost approximately \$40,000 for the infrastructure and app purchases.

5. Trail Related Activities/Issues/Events – Mr. Schmid highlighted some of the work taking place for the QC Trails effort. A workshop was held in August for large member government trail managers covering the content management system, so the website offers the most up-to-date information. Over 15,000 people were reached from July to September at community events and health fairs. Numerous new trail postings have been uploaded, as well as elevation profiles for most trails, fitness stations, and bike lanes. Various special event badges have been created for events like the Hennepin Hoopla, Ride the River, and the Quad Cities Marathon.
6. Committee Member Reports

*Bettendorf*–

The City's Walk and Roll events have been taking place monthly, highlighting different sections of trail every month. The Forest Grove Trail has been completed from Utica Ridge Road to Devils Glen Road. Soon, it will extend to International Drive.

*Buffalo–*

The MRT project is almost complete. Erosion and water issues will be resolved by October 1. Stanley Consultants will submit final paperwork thereafter.

*Eldridge–*

A component of the downtown redevelopment project will be adding wider sidewalks than what exist already. Other pedestrian-friendly street amenities and furniture will be added as well. The city will begin construction of its rail trail running south of town in the latter half of 2018. One ongoing discussion point is the connection with Davenport, which will require a crossing of I-80.

*Port Byron–*

The Will to Ben Ride has been canceled this year. The ride was to go from Port Byron to Sparta, Wisconsin. The two cities have identical bicycle statues and have partnered to promote the ride over the past couple years. Repair work was recently completed on a bridge along the Great River Trail.

*River Action–*

The Upper Mississippi River Conference will take place October 11 and 12. The theme of this year's annual conference will be climate issues.

7. Other Business – There was no other business.
8. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

**MEETING ATTENDANCE RECORD  
MEMBERS, GUESTS & STAFF**

Meeting of: Bi-State Regional Trail Committee

Date: September 28, 2017 Time: 10:00 a.m. To 11:15 a.m. Minutes: Yes X No \_\_\_

Place of Meeting: Scott County Administrative Center

Name:	Title/Representing:	Contact # or Email:
1. Rachel Bruce	Bi-State Regional Commission	
2. Joe Erenberger	Y&J	
3. Emilene Leone	Bettendorf	
4. Ari Lewerenz	Clinton Convention & Visitors Bureau	
5. Pat Lynch	Shive-Hattery	
6. James Martin	Eldridge	
7. Jim Matthys	Buffalo	
8. Chuck Oestreich		
9. Sid Rognoni	Ruby's (bike shop) owner	
10. Bryan Schmid	Bi-State Regional Commission	
11. Mary Seely	Clinton Convention & Visitors Bureau	
12. Noah Truesdell	River Action	
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