

**Minutes of the
QUAD CITY RIVERFRONT COUNCIL (QCRFC)**

Tuesday, May 20, 2014, 12:00 p.m.
Quad Cities Botanical Center
2525 4th Avenue
Rock Island, IL 61201

Council Members in Attendance:

Mr. Jeff Anderson	Mr. John Myers
Mr. Steve Clark	Mr. Bill Nelson*
Mr. Ralph Heninger	Ms. Sonya Paddock
Mr. Tim Knanishu*	LTC. Todd Reed
Mr. Olin Meador	Mr. Joe Taylor
Mr. Dean Moyer	

*Current QCRFC Officers

Others in Attendance:

Mr. Ed Britton	Mr. Dan McBride
Col. Mark Deschenes	Mr. Dennis Ostwinkle
Mr. Justin Graff	Ms. Meghan Overton
Mr. Gene Hellige	Mr. Chris Reger
Chief Petty Officer Bryan Klostermeyer	Deputy Commander Scott Stoermer
Mr. Matt Martin	Lt. Cody Stitz

- 1. Call Meeting to Order.** Mr. Nelson called the meeting to order and asked for introductions of those in attendance.
- 2. Approval of the QCRFC March 25, 2014 Meeting Minutes.** Mr. Taylor motioned, Mr. Heninger seconded. Meeting minutes were approved as written.
- 3. 2013 Nominations for Certificates of Appreciation Award Presentation.** Mr. Nelson presented the certificates to the nominees in attendance.
 - City of Davenport, Iowa-American Water Company, and USACE Rock Island District – Construction of the Flood Wall to protect the water treatment plant and bike trail. Award was accepted by Mr. Gene Hellige and Col. Mark Deschenes.
 - Village of Port Byron – Installation of Riverfront art (Will B. Rolling bicycle sculpture). (Nominee was not in attendance)
 - Ms. Lynn Hunt, QCCVB – Coordination of the 75th anniversary of the Great River Road and the Great Race event on June 23, 2013. Award was accepted by Mr. Joe Taylor, will be presented to Ms. Hunt at the QCCVB Board Meeting.
 - LeClaire Fire Department, U.S. Coast Guard, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, USACE Rock Island District, and Iowa Department of Natural Resources – Coordinated agency response to the sinking of the Stephen L. Colby on November 25, 2013. Award was accepted by Mr. Ed Britton, Mr. Justin Graff, Chief Petty Officer Bryan Klostermeyer, Mr. Matt Martin, Mr. Dan McBride, Mr. Dennis Ostwinkle, Mr. Chris Reger, Deputy Commander Scott Stoermer, and Lt. Cody Stitz.

4. Individual Riverfront Reports.

- **Buffalo** – Bids for wastewater plant, continuing with bank stabilization project, Donaldson Creek bridge widening will create lane closures on Hwy 22.
- **Cordova** – In the process of purchasing marina property. The site will become a public boat access, in planning stage of updates for site (will remain open).
- **Iowa Chamber** – The Ferris wheel at Modern Woodman park opens on Saturday, May, 24, 2014.
- **LeClaire** – The City plans to have a designated QCRFC representative beginning at the next meeting.
- **Moline** – Moline Center Plan complete; WIU Phase II and Riverbend Commons Phase I construction underway, should be complete by August 14. Design for WIU Phase III and Riverbend Commons Phase II underway. Sylvan Island bridge replacement should be done by Fall 2016. New stand up paddle board business operating at Bass Street landing (YMCA boat house).
- **QCCVB** – Bettendorf/Davenport hosted loop bike ride May 10th. GITUP, Grand Illinois trail ride is June 28th, beginning at Sunset Park to Port Byron. 30th anniversary of Ride the River June 15th. House bill introduced to create national trails designation for the American Discovery trail. Discussion on extending the MRT from Savanna to Galena.
- **REDEEM** – Have concerts lined up for along the river.
- **Riverdale** – Have final engineering for MRT, bid letting in August and construction will start in October. Have agreement with railroad for trail to cross.
- **Rock Island** – The Botanical Center's new children's garden held its ribbon cutting. The Illinois office of tourism will tour the new garden when they are in town July 31st. Schwiebert Park transient boat dock ribbon cutting will be May 23rd. The water/sewer plant construction almost complete. Whitewater Junction opens memorial day weekend.
- **USACE** – Received funding for the Government sewer cleanout in Davenport, contract was awarded in April and cleanout should begin within the next 30 days. Question was asked as to the length of the cleanout; it will be limited just to Davenport.

5. Other. None.

6. Meeting Adjourned. Next meeting will be Tuesday, July 22, 2014. Location TBD.