



Greenways Commission of Bowling Green and Warren County

JANUARY 8, 2007		4:00 P.M.	CCPC 2 ND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
JANUARY MEETING			
NOTE TAKER	Sandy Clark Helen Siewers, Greenways Coordinator		
ATTENDEES	Voting members: Jeff Stein, Edward Martin, Jim Bullington, Tina Coates, Dick Cooper, James (Doc) Kaelin, Dino Pinerola, and Elaine Walker. Ex-officio: Mac Yowell Resource professionals: Karen Foley, Jared Weaver, Josh Moore, Jonathan Britt, Craig Dowell & Emmett Wood		
DISCUSSION	Vice-Chairman Stein called the Greenways Commission meeting order at 4:04 p.m. He made a special presentation to Craig Dowell for all of his hard work for the Greenways. Mr. Stein then asked if there were comments or questions on the Summary Minutes of the December 4, 2006, meeting. Mr. Bullington asked that an additional sentence be added to the minutes under section d. Being no other questions or comments.		
CONCLUSIONS	Minutes to be approved with one addition.		
ACTION ITEMS			
Vice-Chairman Stein then asked for a Motion to approve the Minutes of December 4, 2006.. Doc Kaelin made the Motion, seconded by Dino Pinerola. All members approved the Minutes of December 4, 2006 as submitted, with the one addition.			
3. COMMITTEE REPORTS			
NOTE TAKER	Sandy Clark		
A. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE		STEIN / SIEWERS	
DISCUSSION	City Representative - Ms. Siewers introduced and welcomed Mayor Walker as the new City representative to the Greenways Commission replacing Brian Strow. Ms. Siewers introduced Mac Yowell, CCPC Engineer and Ex-officio member of the Board; Josh Moore, Engineer Tech and Jonathan Britt, CCPC Planner who will be attending the Greenways meetings in new capacities. Mr. Shirley is leaving the CCPC, so Ms. Siewers will be working with more Architectural planning and design; therein, the Engineering staff will be helping the City and Greenways with bidding, design and getting projects on the ground. Ms. Siewers then presented a Grant Application Report with Projects for 2006-2007 and a selection committee was put in place to open and review bids. <i>Mr. Pinerola entered the meeting at 4:14 p.m.</i> Mr. Stein then stated that all the sub-committees should now be fully staffed. The list was passed out from compilation of the members who signed up for any committee they would be interested in working on. Mayor Walker will be added to: 2. Acquisitions . An additional sub-section will be placed under 3. Implementation (b) Riverfront <i>ad hoc</i> will be an addition of Boatlanding.		
CONCLUSIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Listing of Sub-Committees from member volunteers * City Representative Mayor Walker in place of Brian Strow * Selection Committee; Yowell, Moore, Siewers, Joe Webb & Dick Cooper 		
ACTION ITEMS			
Upon Motion of Mr. Cooper, second by Mr. Martin, Ms. Siewers will continue to work on Grant applications as submitted and presented			

B. PLANNING COMMITTEE		SIEWERS
NOTE TAKER	Sandy Clark	
DISCUSSION	<p>The Planning Committee is working on upcoming grant sources. There is a deadline of January 31, 2007 to complete the <i>Letter of Intent</i> for the Transportation Enhancement application. Last year's application indicated a Phase Two project on WKU campus, but this may be funded through direct appropriation, along with an additional \$500,000 for a project from Creason over towards Warren Central, BG Tech and end at the new WalMart.</p> <p>There was also discussion about Ms. Siewers continuing to work on Lovers Lane area and applying for the Grant to connect this area to Cemetery Road and the Soccer Complex. There are new locations at Traditions, Mt Victor Olde Stone, and there was discussion about Living Hope's new site to come on board with the trails and paths. Ms. Siewers will work on this additional site.</p>	
CONCLUSIONS	The deadline is January 31 for the Letter of Intent for Transportation Enhancement; Transportation Enhancement Grant to get on the ground in 2007 with CCPC Engineering staff; And continue Grant proposals for work on Lovers Lane; WKU to WalMart; and Riverfront.	
ACTION ITEM		
C. RIVERFRONT COMMITTEE		COATES AND SIEWERS
DISCUSSION	<p>Ms. Coates stated that the committee has been idle through the holidays, but will be getting back together after construction bids are okayed at the City Commission meetings for spring projects.</p> <p>There was discussion that Karen Foley is working on contacting Officer Whitson's family (the BG police officer killed in the line of duty) where he could be honored for his service as a bike patrolman and having a portion of the Riverfront Park trail to Kereiakas Park be named in his honor. This could be done at the same time as the ribbon-cutting for the trail.</p>	
CONCLUSIONS	City Commission to vote to have paving projects approved at their next meeting in areas discussed to begin in the next construction season. Possible have Whitson honored simultaneously with ribbon cutting activities.	
ACTION ITEMS		
D. KEREIAKES COMMITTEE		COATES
DISCUSSION	Ms. Coates reported there have been discussions with representatives of St. James church and the easement will be placed along the sidewalk in front of the church. The sign that states "more trails to follow" should be removed.	
CONCLUSIONS	Ms. Coates and Ms. Siewers stated that the committee would talk again with the church and bring back a report to the Board.	
ACTION ITEMS		
4. LOST RIVER COMMITTEE		PINEROLA and SIEWERS
DISCUSSION	Mr. Pinerola stated that Siewers, Mayor Walker and Judge Buchanon attended a meeting with the Federal Highway Department representative and found out information concerning federally funded projects can general revenue - so can get grant money and then when need to operate can raise money to keep activity going. Ms. Siewers explained that City Attorney	

	<p>Gene Harmon, City Manager DeFebbo and Jeff Moore with the Highway Department are still working with the Friends of Lost River on the Contract and may be getting really close to the final wording as the Contract will read "public use" instead of public access and state that all land is part of the easement and all acreage is available for public use. Any revenue generated would have to be put back into operation of the area.</p> <p>Karen Foley left the meeting at 4:55 p.m. Doc Kaelin left the meeting at 5:00 p.m. Craig Dowell left the meeting at 5:10 p.m.</p>
CONCLUSIONS	Continue to work with the City Manager, KYTC, Fed Highway Department, Lost River Board and representatives from this Board to get Contract finalized.
ACTION ITEMS	
5. ANNOUNCEMENTS	
DISCUSSION	<p>Forum on future Transportation (Traffic Forecasting/Traffic Demands) is being presented by Jeff Moore with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, this week on Thursday, January 11, 2007, if any members are interested in attending.</p> <p>Bowling Green League of Bicyclists are working on project to have Bowling Green designated a Bicycle Friendly Community by the League of American Bicyclists. Our local group is forming a task force and seeking partners for this project.</p> <p>Ms. Siewers announced that a follow-up clean up day at Weldon Peete Park is scheduled on Saturday, March 24, 2007 at 1:00 p.m.</p> <p>Mayor Walker announced that there is a project or study in the works for planting trees to nullify greenhouse affects as screening helps to lower greenhouse emissions. There could be easements obtained and given to property owners to care for the trees in front of their homes and property.</p>
CONCLUSIONS	
ACTION ITEMS	
OLD BUSINESS	
DISCUSSION	No old business to discuss.
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NEW BUSINESS	
DISCUSSION	No new business to discuss.
ADJOURNMENT	
Motion to adjourn by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mayor Walker. Mr. Stein announced the meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.	