

Corridor Improvement Authority
3/7/22, 6:00pm

Meeting called to order at 6:02 pm

Members Present:

Mike Spain, Don Blackmond, Brian Morin, Dan LaFond, Rod Pletz (via telephone), Kelly Smit

Members Absent:

Tara Truhn

Guests Present:

Bill Boston

Agenda:

1. Review of minutes from previous meeting
 - a. No objections
 - b. Don motioned to approve, Mike 2nd
 - c. Motion passes unanimously
2. Meeting schedule
 - a. Proposal to move meetings to 1st Monday of each month
 - i. Don motioned, Mike 2nd
 - ii. Motion passes unanimously
 - iii. Alternate dates for July and September due to holidays
 1. Proposal to move these meetings to the second Monday of the month: July 11, September 12
 2. Don motioned, Dan 2nd
 3. Motion passes unanimously
3. Outstanding bills to be paid
 - i. None
4. Recap of meeting with MDOT regarding pedestrian pathways
 - a. Meeting held on 2/25. Rod and Mike were present at meeting.
 - b. Amy from MDOT ran the meeting, with two other MDOT reps in training present.
 - c. MDOT reviewed work completed by LRE to date. Not much had been completed on the draft of the application by LRE.
 - d. MDOT suggested we meet with VBC Road Commission before we make a decision on moving forward with LRE.
 - e. MDOT would be most supportive of a proposal with 5' pathways on each side. A pathway on one side would need to be separate from the road and be wide enough to support traffic going both ways.

- f. Don raised question of if Road Commission would require an additional shoulder outside of the 5' pedestrian lane.
 - g. MDOT will not likely support a grant application that does not have a minimum of 5' lanes.
 - h. If trail continues down to Silver Creek Township and connects with their trail system, grant application would score additional points.
 - i. Trail would also need a logical trailhead to qualify for an MDOT grant.
 - i. Possible options discussed:
 1. Lot on corner of Marshall/Napier
 2. Small area of old playhouse lot
 3. Township property near boat launch
 - j. Next steps:
 - i. Don will reach out to LRE and find out where they are and how they are going to support us with finishing out this project.
 - ii. A meeting should be set up with VBC Road Commission to answer some of questions. Don will reach out to VBCRC to set up a meeting.
5. Public Comment solicited – 7:05
- i. None heard
6. Motion to adjourn: Don, Mike 2nd
- a. Motion passes unanimously
 - b. Meeting adjourned 7:05