

Iowa's Living Roadways Community Visioning 2016

Community: Garrison

Minutes by Trees Forever Field Coordinator: Patty Reisinger

Date and Time: Sept 14, 2016 6:30pm to 8:30pm

Meeting Length: 2 hours

Location: Fire Station

Meeting #9 Feasibility Report

Number of committee members in attendance: 6

Names of committee members in attendance: Steve Meyer, Randy Scheel, Steve Young, Christy Leckband, Ann Jorgensen and Merle Welte.

Others in attendance: Meg Flenker of Flenker Land Architecture Consultants
Patty Reisinger with Trees Forever

Meeting Summary: Meg Flenker presented the final report and feasibility study for Garrison Community Visioning. Each project was reviewed and cost estimates summarized. The document is 104 pages and contains much information that will be helpful as the committee moves to implementation. A USB drive was delivered so information can be shared easily. The report provides information on:

- Community Identity, Way-finding, Entryway Enhancements (board 7)
- Sycamore Avenue Corridor (board 8)
- Downtown Enhancements (board 9)
 - Hero Memorial (board 10)
 - Central Park (board 11)
- Sidewalk Accessibility Enhancements (board 12)
- Loop Trail and Stormwater Improvements (board 13)
- Arboretum and Old Creamery Site (board 14)
- City Park Enhancements (board 15)

Pictures, charts, cost estimates, narratives, background information as assessments are included in the report document. Project boards of past visioning communities are at www.communityvisioning.org. Later Garrison's boards will be included on the site. Concept images can be used by the committee for community awareness and to recruit more residents to help with implementation.

Prices are at full cost. Many communities reduce the overall cost by using volunteer labor, getting grants and other strategies. See the funding matrix on page 101. See page 98 for the implementation strategies section. (Patty will also share the *Trees Forever Community Project Funding Guide** at our next meeting. *Also available on Trees Forever website.*

Proposed concept project boards are now in Garrison full time and are available for public display. At the next meeting we will plan events and opportunities to share the project ideas and comment sheets with residents and neighbors. Patty will take (then return) four boards to Ames for the Iowa's Living Roadways annual celebration held on November 10. All Garrison committee members are invited to attend.

Teresa missed this meeting as she is visiting the new grandchild.

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Next meeting: October 26, 6:30pm Fire station.