Iowa's Living Roadways Community Visioning 2016

Community: Carlisle

Minutes by Trees Forever Field Coordinator: Patty Reisinger

Date and Time: May 31, 2016 2pm

Meeting Length: 1 hour Location: City Hall

Meeting #5 Transportation meeting

Number of committee members in attendance: 3

Names of committee members in attendance: Barbara Rasko, Andy Lent, & Joe Jenkins. Others attending: Mike Clayton (Iowa Dept. of Transportation) Bruce Niedermyer & Sarah Davids (RDG Planning & Design) and Patty Reisinger Trees Forever

Meeting Summary: The purpose of this meeting was to meet and review information that will help the design team and community prepare for the design work. The group documented proposed changes and existing problems in the transportation system. A general review list was used when looking at the town map & is listed below.

A few areas mentioned included: Trail connection to Des Moines and possible location to connect with Carlisle. McClure Engineering will do a study of the intersection at Hwy 5 & Scotch Ridge Road. Traffic counts are being done this year in Carlisle area. Carlisle has applied for funds to help with a town sign on the west edge. Andy talked about interest in a road diet at various locations to reduced road width & calm traffic.

List reviewed:

Natural Features

- Native plant remnants or restorations
- Water features drainage areas, retention areas, flooding concerns, wellheads
- Snow drifting or ice problems

Cultural Features

- Existing or proposed trails, pedestrian/bike routes
- Truck routes
- Special road use designations heritage byway, scenic byway, etc....
- Sign ordinances
- Amenities such as roadside parks and interpretive signs

Management and Maintenance

- Safety issues clear zones
- Style of management IRVM (Integrated Roadside Vegetation Management) or other?
- Current and Future issues in maintenance for the area

Big Changes

• Change in road alignments

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- Borrow areas
- R-O-W boundaries
- Backfill/altered soils

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