

Iowa's Living Roadways Community Visioning 2016

Community: Garrison
Minutes by Trees Forever Field Coordinator: Patty Reisinger
Date and Time: May 17, 2016 6:30 to 8:45 pm
Meeting Length: 2.4 hours
Location: Fire station
Meeting #5 Review materials – select goals

Number of committee members in attendance: 9

Names of committee members in attendance: Steve & Teresa Meyer, Steve Young, Christy Leckband, Angela Dague, Randy Scheel, Allan Lindsay, Merle Welte & Ann Jorgensen.

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

Meeting Summary: Tonight's meeting is to learn highlights of the information gathered during the Transportation Assets and Barriers Focus Group workshop (TAB), the Bioregional Assessment exercise and the Transportation Partners meetings in preparation for goal setting. Display boards containing information gleaned from the TAB and from Bioregional Assessment were present. The committee shared summary information from the TAB workshop posters. Summaries included transportation strengths, challenges, and improvement desires by residents.

Issues and concerns mentioned during the conversation included: poor condition of sidewalks, condition of ballfield, steep curbs, lack of shade, concern for pedestrian safety as they cross Sycamore, & lack of shelter students at school bus stop.

We created a list of possible solutions for the issues identified while reviewing TAB workshop and other materials. After the first list was made, similar projects were lumped with like smaller projects. A fuller list of potential projects/ solutions was created. When the conversation wrapped up the committee voted on projects they saw as priorities for the design team to focus on. Results are shown below.

Sycamore Street improvements. **7 votes**

- Lighting, site amenities, plantings and Mercantile Corner

Park improvements **5 votes**

- Splash pad, ball diamond, soccer field, lighting, Frisbee park

Looped Trail around Garrison **3 votes**

Downtown beautification **3 votes**

Community Entryway **2 vote**

Pocket Park / Hero memorial **2 vote**

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Sidewalk / accessibility plan **1 vote**

Tree master plan **1 vote**

Signage (interpretive, wayfinding, identity) **1 vote**

No votes

School bus stop improvements

Next meetings:

Design Day June 7

- 11am tour of town project sites
- 1pm to 5pm Work time for design team (visitors are welcome)
- 6:30pm Preview of projects Steering committee and public are welcome.

July 13, 6:30pm Steering committee review of preliminary work