**Community: Kalona** 

Minutes by Trees Forever Field Coordinator: Dustin Hinrichs

Date and Time: May 19, 2015 at 1 pm Meeting Length: 1.5 hours

**Location: Kalona City Hall** 

**Meeting Number and Title: Transportation Planning Meeting** 

## Number of committee members in attendance: 2

Names of committee members in attendance: Jenelle Bender and Ryan Schlabaugh. Also in attendance were Jacob Thorius (Washington County Engineer), Jack Pope (Garden and Associates Engineers), Jason Huddle (Iowa DOT District Planner), Hannah Schmitz (Intern, Bolton & Menk), Dylan Jones (Landscape Architect, Bolton & Menk), Brock Grenis (Transportation Planner, ECICOG), and Dustin Hinrichs (Trees Forever)

## **Meeting Summary:**

The Transportation Meeting followed a standard checklist of issues to be discussed by the different planning entities in attendance. Each item was brought up by Dylan Jones and then each attendee had an opportunity to weigh in on their understanding of projects that could impact each of the areas. The topics covered were broken into the following headings:

- Natural features
- Cultural features
- Management and maintenance issues
- Upcoming changes and new proposals

The majority of the meeting was spend discussing large projects in the city related to streambank stabilization, the addition of a detention basin on the NW corner of Kalona tied to a new private development currently under discussion, an overlay project at the intersection of Highways 1 and 22, and finally a bridge widening project on Highway 22. All of these projects will be addressed in 2017, or this is the current timing in place.

The group also identified specific areas where standing water/surface water regularly pools. The intersection of Highways 1 and 22 will likely include additional subsurface drainage to move water from the different ditches at this intersection over and to the northwest corner of the intersection where they will be tied into the creek.

The only major trail that has been identified for potential development is a trail connection to the community of Richmond. Funding is already being identified for that project one day, although no timeline is currently in place.

The group finally spent some time identifying specific locations where snow drifts, ice develops (shade spots), and where there are specific visibility concerns for vehicular traffic and/or pedestrians.

All items identified during the discussion were marked on the map. This map will be digitized by Dylan and Hannah at Bolton & Menk and shared with the committee.