

**Friends of the Clinton River Trail
Steering Committee Meeting, June 23, 2009
Auburn Hills Community Center**

Meeting Minutes
(Corrected)

Attendees: Fred Phillips, Pat Mullin, Shirley Mullin, Mimi Zwolak, Melinda Hill, Doug Gordon, Mark Pompetzki, Dan Keifer, Betty Delaney, Claudia Filler

Reported by: Claudia Filler

Dan Keifer chaired the meeting.

Shirley Mullin showed the Friends of the Clinton River Trail scrapbook she has been assembling since 2002. Contents include our newsletters and trail-related newspaper clippings.

Treasurer's Report

Mark Pompetzki reported that the FCRT fund balances are \$19,353 (Community Foundation) and \$1,879 (FCRT Checking) for a total of \$21,232.

Donations

- Members met before the start of the meeting to stuff and label the donation request letter envelopes. Dan Keifer will continue to process the responses to our solicitation, directing the checks to Mark Pompetzki and writing the "thank you" letters.

"Look and Feel" Project

- Mimi and Fred asked CRT Alliance members John Balint and Mike Hartner to review the RFP; copies will be sent to the absent members of the Alliance. Fred will pursue Mike Hartner's suggestion that the RFP be sent to MITN, a source used by municipalities for wide distribution of their RFPs. Suggested timing: Sept. 1 issuance; Sept. 15 pre-proposal meeting; Oct. 15 due date. Fred Phillips will serve as project manager.
- Mimi will follow up with Mike Hartner and Judy Perkins to ask for a delay in determining where best to use Mrs. Perkins generous donation until a "Look & Feel" plan is finalized.
- Dan will contact the Lewis & Nellie Seig Fund to request a donation for the "Look & Feel" project.

Trail Update:

Pontiac:

- The Phase II construction will begin in August.
- FCRT will be contacted when the Phase III walk-through is scheduled.

Sylvan Lake:

- Betty Delaney will check out concerns that the City of Sylvan Lake has installed signage reading "Sylvan Lake Nature Trail" on the Clinton River Trail.

Events & Activities

Fall Classic Ride

- Claudia reported on sponsor solicitation efforts. The sponsor commitment form is due by July 31.
- John is looking into another vendor for the t-shirts.
- "Save the Date" cards will be available by mid-July.
- Fred and Mimi will prepare signage for the event.

National Trails Day:

- John Hensler, Judy Gordon, Chuck Hatch, Fred Phillips, Ron Vogt and Melinda Hill represented the FCRT on National Trails Day with a table near the Trail in Rochester. \$95 was donated for t-shirts.

Post Office Box: The new address for FCRT is P.O. Box 81971, Rochester, MI 48307. Melinda made the arrangements and will check the box regularly.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, July 28, 7:00 p.m., Auburn Hills Community Center.