

**Greenway Technical Committee
Staff Meeting Notes
GF Park District Conference Room
10:30 PM – Tuesday, April 12, 2005**

Steve Mullaly, GF Park District
Gladwin Lynne, MN DNR

Dale Skyberg, EGF Parks & Rec
Kim Greendahl, City of GF

Guest: Ann Sande

- I. **Greenway Birding Guide:** Bryce will be sending the electronic photo ready copy to Marty Egeland for printing. Marty will be taking care of the printing. Gladwin would like to do a kick off event one morning in Lincoln Drive Park when the guide is ready. Local birders might be available to lead walks. Dale would be interested in helping with adding an orienteering program to this project.

- II. **Upcoming Greenway Events:** Plenty of events are planned in the Greenway and to highlight the trail system in both communities.
 - Friday, May 6** Arbor Day tree planting ceremony at Olson/Elmwood Trail Access
 - Saturday, May 7** Healthtrip 2005 5K walk/run in Lincoln Drive Park
 - Saturday, May 7** MN DNR Community Support Day 10:00 am – 2:00 pm, lunch provided. Tree planting and litter pick up
 - May 7 - 13** “Grand” Clean Up Week – throughout the Greenway and Grand Cities
 - Sunday, May 22** Community bike rally at Lion’s Park ****Note this activity has been moved to Lincoln Drive Park on June 4**
 - Saturday, June 4** National Trails Day at Lincoln Drive Park
 - Sunday, June 5** MN DNR State Parks Open House – free entry to state parks throughout the state of Minnesota

- III. **Greenway promotional materials:** Packs of Greenway post it notepads and brochures were distributed for use at each agency. Extra notepads will be stored at the City of Grand Forks. T-shirts and polos are also available for purchase or if any agency is willing to sell them. Dale would like a shirt for display purposes. Kim will resend the Greenway Promotion Plan to the committee.

- IV. **Adopt a Trail Program/Grand Clean Up Week:** May 7-13 will mark activities around the communities to focus on clean up of the trails and community. There are three trail sections in Grand Forks still available for adoption. Kim is working with the groups that have adopted the other sections to get them started in May. Volunteers interested in helping clean up as a one time effort can call the Grand Forks or East Grand Forks Chambers of Commerce for information. Callers will be assigned a section of the Greenway or community to clean. Bags and safety vests will be available. Once an area is cleaned, the group should call the chamber and report where the trash bags are located for pick up. They are then

registered for drawings for prizes.

V. Other:

Campground: Two visitors have utilized the campground this season. Gladwin had not planned on opening this early, but allowed the campers to rent.

Girl Scout Group: Steve received a call from a girl scout troop wanting to host an overnight camping event in Lincoln Drive Park. He will forward contact information for the Red River State Recreation Area to the group.

Greenway Rules and Regulations: The East Grand Forks City Council has adopted this document.

Recognition of volunteers: The group would like to explore ways of publicly recognizing partners other than above ground signage.

Next Greenway Technical Committee meeting date: Tuesday, May 10, 2005 - GF Park District Office

Next Greenway Technical Staff meeting date: Tuesday, June 14, 2005 10:30 am - GF Park District Office

Submitted by: Kim Greendahl, Greenway Specialist, City of Grand Forks