

MEETING MINUTES

8:30 a.m., February 11, 2016

Des Moines Area MPO Burnham Conference Room

Steering Committee Attendees

Chair Rick Tollakson, Hubbell Realty
Trina Flack, Convention and Visitor Bureau
Kathryn Kunert, MidAmerican Energy
Carol Kersey, Central Iowa Paddlers
Ben Dodd, DNR
Ted Weaver, Clive City Council Member
Lynne Twedt, City of West Des Moines
John Gatto, City of Des Moines
Phil Delafield, City of Des Moines
Dave Wilwerding, City of Johnston
Dayne Magneson, US Corps – Saylorville
Andrea Boulton, Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation
Jennifer Welch, Polk County Soil and Water Conservation District
Julie Martinusen, Des Moines Rowing Club
Staci Williams, American Rivers
Bethany Wilcoxon, Capital Crossroads
Linda Appelgate, Iowa Rivers Revival
Lewis Major, Polk County Conservation

Rick Cerwick, Izaak Walton League
Terry Nittler, Des Moines Power Boat Club
Siang Bacthi, Tai Village
Renee Thomas, USCG Aux

Non-Committee Members

Don Mclaughlin
Pete Rounds, DM Boat Club, Birdland Marina
Jack Daugherty, DM Boat Club, Birdland Marina
Anson Williams, DM Boat Club, Birdland Marina
John Rour, DM Boat Club, Birdland Marina

MPO Staff & Contractor

Todd Ashby
Dylan Mullenix
Gunnar Olson
Tess Cody
Mike Armstrong
Teva Dawson
Marcus Coenen
Luis Leon

1. The meeting was called to order at 8:35 AM.
2. The members voted to approve the agenda.
3. All those in attendance introduced themselves.
4. State of the Rivers Report – presented for final comments, no comments received by the group other than there is a lot of information in the report.
5. Public Engagement Plan: presented next steps (see presentation), feedback included:
 - Encouragement to speak with user groups if requested
 - Attend council meetings with a vision for what is possible along each segment even if there are no dots on the map yet, have a sense of themes
 - People will want to know how much the plan will cost, will that be part of the final plan? Yes.
 - Encouraged us to have each public workshop cover the overall theme but have a public workshop unique to each river segment

6. Staff presented the next steps in the development of the plan. See presentation.
7. Staff moved into small group discussion to review the draft vision, mission, goals and objectives.
8. There were no other non-action items.
9. Next Meeting Date: TBD
10. The Steering Committee adjourned by 10:00.