



Minutes  
Board of Directors Meeting  
6:30 P.M. Fort Wayne Country Club  
January 12, 2005

Board Members in attendance:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lynn Reecer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jim Coplen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Gail Herendeen	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mark O'Shaughnessy
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Stephanie Schultz	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bob Kennedy	<input type="checkbox"/>	Barbara Krisher	<input type="checkbox"/>	Debbie Probst
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sharon Jellison	<input type="checkbox"/>	Leslie Ferguson	<input type="checkbox"/>	Art Mandelbaum	<input type="checkbox"/>	Gregg Walbridge
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jane Schmitt	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mike Fitch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Scott Miller	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Bill Zielke

- I. Minutes of 11-17-04 Board Meeting approved
- II. Treasurer Report-Jane
  - a. Report
    - i. Cash on hand =\$25,996.00
    - ii. Since last board meeting there has been \$2,500 in donations (3 individual donations)
  - b. Invoice Approval:
    - i. Bonar bill of \$3,600 (out of anticipated \$7,000 total) has been approved by board to pay, pending clarification.
    - ii. (Jane) will clarify bill and discuss with Lynn.
- III. Announcements-Lynn
  - a. (all) Please read "Fat City" article from the Indiana Alumni Magazine. Lynn distributed copies.
  - b. Speakers Bureau:
    - i. The benefits of ANT doing presentations are endless and we need to be doing more.
    - ii. (all) submit a list of organizations to speak to (ie, Lions Club, Medical Society Alliance, PTO's, etc).
  - c. Towpath Trail
    - i. "Towpath Trail" is a 3 mile section of trail from Rockhill to Jefferson/Aboite Center Road that has been proposed by Greenway Consortium. This trail has benefits to ANT because it provides Aboite with a connection with River Greenway and this connectivity is a key factor when applying for funding.
    - ii. They have signed paperwork to do engineering for the first mile of trails.
  - d. Debbie Probst
    - i. Debbie is taking some time off from ANT because her 6 year old son, Tanner, has some medical issues. We will hold her spot on the board. Keep the Probst family in your prayers.
    - ii. Developer Contacts: Orrin Sessions will be ANT's contact with developers and will be on Bill's Committee.
    - iii. Utilities: (Scott) will contact Mike De Freewue. Mike is with REMC's PR.
- IV. Fundraising Report-Bill
  - a. Open Houses: No longer called "Cocktail Parties": (people will host cocktail parties in their home).
    - i. date: January through March
    - ii. price: \$100 per couple
    - iii. primary goal: raise awareness, get leads and contacts for fundraising
  - b. Cocktail Party at Freelands

- i. date: most likely will be in Sept. Waiting to see if Freelands will have event at their home. Tower has also offered their lobby.
    - ii. price: \$1,000 per couple
    - iii. primary goal: raise money
  - c. Colts
    - i. Looking into possibility of getting players for various PR events.
  - d. Grants:
    - i. Lincoln: we have a chance for \$10,000 for our first year of application. Lincoln has stated that for future gifts we would need diversity on our board. We will report back that we are very sensitive to what was said regarding the diversity of our board. Please keep this in mind as we further recruit others to help with this project.
  - e. Developers: no progress to report. Developer backing will significantly help with corporate support.
  - f. Corporate: in final stages of materials and when those are ready, will start calls. Will start with approx. 120 companies on the list and will then need "cold calls".
  - g. Bond: the question of a bond was raised. This may be something to consider in Phase II.

V. Public Relations-(Lynn, as Leslie was sick)

- a. Promotional Materials: "Leave Behind Piece" is being printed (250 copies for first run). Some pages in color. Students will assemble them.
- b. Media: Anthony will take this over.
- c. Trail name: "Aboite Trails" approved by board.
- d. Media: Trail name:

VI. Construction/Engineering Project Review-Lynn

- a. W. Hamilton/Covington SACS Trail (Jim): completion date is needed because it will be so important for media attention and for fundraising. [Jim will follow up to get completion date.](#)
- b. TEA Grant Trail Project-Covington Rd. and Homestead Rd: Eli has application ready for Lynn and Linda Bloom's signatures.
- c. Eggeman, Aboite, Homestead
  - i. Bonar report progress: Gregg is handling work with Bonar. Once report is complete it goes to Mike Fitch. (See 11-17-04 Minutes, item IX: Right-of-Way).
  - ii. Idea of having trail run behind houses on Eggeman has been tabled for now. There was much board discussion regarding homeowner's concerns.
- d. Summary Report
  - i. Attached at end of minutes. [All board members to review it.](#)
  - ii. [\(Leslie\)](#) Report will be tweaked and incorporated into marketing materials

VII. Right-of-Way

- a. Not discussed at this meeting.
- b. For review: (See 11-17-04 Minutes, item IX: Right-of-Way).

VIII. Other Updates/Issues

- a. Meeting with Nelson Peters next week re. Ordinance and Covington section W. Hamilton to County Line Rd.
- b. City Council: possibly adding 2 positions and it would benefit us to have people from Aboite.
- c. State of the City address
  - i. Feb. 24 at 6:30pm at Homestead.
  - ii. Mayor Richard gives his State of the City address and officially welcomes Aboite into the city with Greenway announcements.
  - iii. All board members should plan to attend, wearing ANT shirts.
- d. Upcoming Plan Commission Meetings-will ask Orrin to attend on ANT's behalf.
- e. County Highway Updates- will wait until Mike can report.
- f. City Public Works updates-will wait until Bob can report.
- g. [Sharon](#)
  - i. Will meet with Gerald Nieman with INDOT in Indy
  - ii. [\(Lynn\)](#) will contact John Ferguson regarding need to meet with Representatives in Indy.

h. "Fort Wayne on the Move"

- i. Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at the Embassy
- ii. Fort Wayne Cardiology/Mark O'Shaughnessy's health event - set up ANT booth?

IX. Schedule

Fort Wayne on the Move  
Fort Wayne Cardiology (Mark O'Shaughnessy's) health event  
February 16  
7:00 pm  
Embassy

**Board Meeting**  
**Wednesday**  
**February 23**

7:00 pm  
SACS Administration Building  
Homestead Road  
(Note the new time and location)

**Mayor's State of the City Address**  
**February 24**

6:30 pm  
Homestead High School  
(Please wear ANT shirt & sit as a group)

# Planned Projects

By Government and Others

PROJECT	APPROX. DISTANCE	PROJECTED CONSTRUCTION	SPONSORING ENTITY
<b>Aboite Center Rd.:</b> Jefferson to Coventry	1 Mile 10' asphalt 1 Mile 5' concrete s.w.	Spring 2005	Allen County State of Indiana
<b>Vera Cruz Development</b>	300'	Spring 2005	Oakmont Development
<b>Aboite Center Rd.</b> Homestead to Van Hoozen Park, north side	1500'	Spring 2005	Aboite Township Parks Department
<b>Homestead Road:</b> Aboite Center south to end of SACS property	1500'	2005	Southwest Allen County Schools
<b>City of Fort Wayne Fire Station</b> Corner of Scott and Covington	500'	Spring 2005	City of Fort Wayne
<b>City of Fort Wayne Fire Station</b> Along Homestead Rd. only	250'	Spring 2005	City of Fort Wayne
<b>Deer Ridge Elementary</b> On Scott Road	500'	2006	Southwest Allen County Schools
<b>Illinois Rd. SR 14</b> between Hadley and Scott road:	2 Miles 10' trail (South side) 2 Miles 5' sidewalk (North side)	2008	State of Indiana
Lafayette Meadows Elementary	500'?	2007	Southwest Allen County Schools
The Chapel	500'	2006-2007	The Chapel



Total Projects: 9  
Total Miles: Approx. 6