Minutes of September 10, 2012 Meeting of the Toy Town Partnership

In attendance: Cindy Boucher, Lionel Cloutier, Joe LaDeau, Pam Elbrader, Elaine Mroz. The meeting was called to order at 4:05pm. The September minutes were read and accepted.

<u>Converse Gardens</u> - No report available on the Garden's progress. Lionel says that the Garden's ConComm permits have been extended until November 2, 2015. Joe asked if there was any new information regarding the bank-owned property on River Street. There is not.

<u>Toy Town Horse</u>- Joe presented a letter from Sherman LaBarge agreeing to our suggested amount to settle his bill for repair work done on the Toy Town Horse last year. Elaine will review our accounts to ensure the funds are available, and cover this issue with Kreidler.

We reported on a meeting several Partnership members attended regarding the use of the parcel near the horse that was recently gifted to the town. That parcel will be available for landscaping and inclusion in a design being worked on by the DPW. The DPW plans to do the rough work associated with the landscaping. Gerry White is aware of at least \$500 available for work we can do on planting next spring. We should plan to stay involved in this effort.

<u>Bicycle Trail</u> -We are still waiting for approval to move Phase V to a completed review. There is a draft agreement being developed for the right of way on the Glenallen St. parcel. The Redevelopment Board will sign the required paperwork for the purchase. Since our last meeting, George Mizhir has passed away, which may put our purchase of the parcel at Glenallen St. into a delay. We will continue with the appraisal process, which Gerry White is addressing with qualified appraisers.

Lionel asked for the Partnership's help to provide dog clean-up bags along the downtown section of the trail. These have been in place since April, and the dog poop situation on the trail has improved noticeably. The Board of Health provided the stands and first 2 orders of bags, but there appear to be no funds available for the ongoing expense of about \$100/year. Elaine took the paperwork from Lionel and will try to devise a solution.

<u>Kiosk</u> - Elaine has begun the clean up of the kiosk. She has removed the plexiglass and the old map, but has not been able to remove the brochure brackets because the screws are rusted in. Pam volunteered to help her with this effort. We still need to decide on what map/s we would like to post, and find a source for a corkboard.

New Business- Lionel reported that the ConComm intends to put up a canoe/kayak stand at Bushy Bridge at Glenallen St. Susan Cloutier from the Millers River Blue Trails group will help him determine a good site. Cindy encourage Lionel to keep in mind that the town will likely own the river frontage on both sides of Glenallen St. soon, which may allow for a better site.

Meeting adjourned at 4:35pm. Next meeting Monday November 5at 4pm Town Hall Auditorium

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In attendance: Cindy Boucher, Peter Newton, Pam Elbrader, Elaine Mroz. The meeting was called to order at 4:00pm. The July minutes were read and accepted. We made a trip to the Town Manager's and Town Clerk's offices so we could be officially sworn in for new terms. Everyone who has been sworn in must take an online test regarding the open meeting law. Anyone who has not yet been sworn in should get their form from Elaine and take it to the Town Clerk.

Converse Gardens - Peter is waiting to hear back from Eagle Scout Dan Danette.

<u>Toy Town Horse</u>- Elaine reviewed the correspondence that she forwarded to Joe. She will check with him to determine whether he and Kreidler have resolved the issues raised by Sherman LaBarge.

Peter had a conversation with Gerry White and understands there is approximately \$500 available and designated for the landscaping of the area in front of the horse. It does not appear that anyone is currently leading that effort. Elaine will email Gerry White and John Deline regarding the idea of removing the pavement in front of the horse and replacing it with soil and grass, with a border of granite curbing.

Bicycle Trail -We are still waiting for approval to move Phase V to a completed review. Cindy believes that by the end of September there will be action on the purchase of the parcel. We still hope that the bidding will happen early enough in 2013 for construction to take place in the summer and fall.

<u>Kiosk</u> - Elaine has not cleaned up the kiosk. However, she has contacted Ellen who reports that we can request any map from MRPC that we would like. While looking at the kiosk, we determined that the left (west) end should have the cork board to mitigate the effects of rain and wind coming from the northwest.

New Town Website We reviewed the data needed to incorporate the Toy Town Partnership into the new town website currently under construction.

Meeting adjourned at 5pm. Next meeting Monday October 1at 4pm Town Hall Auditorium

