

**MINUTES OF THE  
BI-STATE REGIONAL TRAIL COMMITTEE**

Thursday, January 23, 2025 – 10:00 a.m.

Bi-State Regional Commission  
1504 Third Avenue, Third Floor, Room 302  
Rock Island, Illinois

1. Welcome/Introductions – Mr. Griffith opened the meeting by welcoming those in attendance and asked for introductions. (See attached attendance sheet.)
2. Election of President and Vice-President. – Mr. Schmid noted that elections of Bi-State Regional Trails Committee officers are conducted every two years. Ms. McDonough nominated Mr. Ludwig for President. This was seconded by Mr. Schertz, and passed unanimously. Mr. Griffith nominated himself for Vice-President. Ms. McDonough seconded the nomination, which passed unanimously.
3. Approval of the Meeting Minutes from November 21, 2024 – The minutes from the November 21, 2024 Bi-State Regional Trail Committee were approved as presented.
4. Designation of Trail Signage Subcommittee. – Mr. Griffith introduced the idea of creating a subcommittee to explore and recommend uniform content for trail signage in the Quad Cities Region. The Committee agreed with the utility of the goal of the proposed subcommittee. Mr. Griffith would send an email to the subcommittee members: Eric Griffith (chair), Bryan Schmid, John Byrnes, Jason Manfull, Greg Ludwig, Bob Madison, and Mike Schertz.
5. Discussion of I-80 Bridge Multiuse Path. – Mr. Schaapveld shared the policies of Scott County regarding trail construction. If two communities in Scott County wish to construct a trail between them, the county will allow a trail to be built within its right-of-way. The county would contribute 10% of local match. Related to I-80, the new bridge will likely include a multipurpose trail. Trail connections are planned on the Iowa side, and will be connected to the existing Great River Trail on the Illinois side. The committee suggested a discussion on the trail connection on U.S. 67 from the I-80 bridge to Bettendorf as a future agenda topic.
6. Committee Member Reports
  - Bettendorf*–  
Planning and engineering work continues for a pedestrian bridge over Middle Road near the TBK Bank Sports Complex. The Frosty Four event will take place February 15.
  - Buffalo*–  
The comprehensive plan update is nearly complete.
  - Cornbelt Running Club*–  
The club’s officers bestowed a special award to Dean Mathias, honoring his humanitarian work for the trails community in the Quad Cities Region.
  - River Action*–  
Ride the River will return on Father’s Day with Ride the Island set to take place on Arsenal Island. All vehicles will park at the QC Times parking lot, and participants will be transported to the island. All bikes with tags will be allowed on the island.
  - Scott County*–  
The subcommittee on safety will feature Share the Trail information beginning in mid-February.
7. Other Business – There was no other business.
8. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

## MEETING ATTENDANCE RECORD MEMBERS, GUESTS & STAFF

Meeting of: Bi-State Regional Trail Committee

Date: November 21, 2024 Time: 10:00 a.m. To 11:30 a.m. Minutes: Yes X No \_\_

Place of Meeting: Bi-State Regional Commission, Rock Island, IL

Name:	Title/Representing:	Contact # or Email:
1. Taylor Beswick	City of Bettendorf	
2. John Byrnes	City of Bettendorf	
3. Eric Griffith	City of Moline	
4. Greg Ludwig	City of LeClaire	
5. Bob Madison	Cornbelt Running Club	
6. Dean Mathias	Quad City Bicycle Club	
7. Jim Matthys	City of Buffalo	
8. Christina McDonough	Scott County Health Department	
9. Greg Schaapveld	Scott County	
10. Mike Schertz	City of Davenport Trails Committee	
11. Bryan Schmid	Bi-State Regional Commission	
12. Liz Solis-Willis	City of Bettendorf	
13. Zach Sutton	Bi-State Regional Commission	
14. Chris True	River Action	
15. Brittany Wells	Visit Quad Cities	
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