

**Iowa Valley Bicycle Club Meeting
Community Trails Speaker
December 14, 2005**

IVBC Meeting:

Members Present: Kris McKibben, Ann & Dana Bresler, Tom Kurth, Terry Briggs, Charlie & Rita Smith, Ken LaFrenz, Bob & Nancy Peterson

No minutes were given. Discussion about the 501C3 and decision to become one for grants etc – decided to table discussion.

Terry moved and Tom 2nd a motion to reinvest the CD to a 12 month certificate. All were in favor. Dana moved and Terry seconded a motion to spend \$250 to join the Iowa Bicycle Coalition at the Investor Level. Motion passed.

Bob moved and Dana seconded a motion to spend \$500 to join the Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation and a check was written to give to Lisa later in the evening. Motion also passed to give Lisa \$50 towards her mileage for the evening.

The budget was tabled to be worked on at the January workday meeting.

Dana gave a report on the RAGBRAI Charter meeting he attended – it was decided that a Scout vehicle would be needed. Dana moved and Terry seconded the motion; motion passed.

The meeting was then adjourned to begin the Trail Discussion with Lisa Hein – Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation.

7:00 PM Community Trails Meeting

In addition to the members above, the following community members were present: Bill Martin, John Eich, Bob Wenner, Dieter Butzlaff, Shauna Banks, Mike Stegman, Ken and Carolyn Anderson, Mr. Heirstein, Mark Smith, Bethany Werzer, Gene Beach, and Guest Speaker, Lisa Hein

Lisa gave a brief overview of the Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation and it's goals after introductions were made. Lisa discussed the Category 1 placement for abandonment of railways and the 3 groups that could acquire them. A 45 day notification period enables other railroads to purchase these first [and consequently that is what happened here]. Then others can purchase for recreational uses and farmers can purchase for land use.

Lisa gave some background about the abandonment issues and how purchases can be made and how funding can be sought. She described the different kinds of grants and scenarios that could happen. She distributed several different maps of trails in Iowa and of future trails. See enclosures.

Afterward questions and discussions followed.

Respectfully submitted, Ann Bresler, Secretary