



April 9, 2024

## **CCI-Navigation Team Meeting**

**Attendance:** Joe Gagnon (by phone) Debbie Davis, Kristy Young, Chad Howerton, Jan Schwarz, Jim Patrico, Dillan Klindt

**Call to Order:** By Jan @ 8 a.m.

### **Old Business:**

#### **New Business:**

List of themes for lunch meetings is complete. Suggestions for new themes:

- \*What are Clinton County's strengths?
- \*What topics would the group like to revisit?
- \*What are your news sources (formal and informal) about current events in Clinton County?
- \*An update on grant process and timeline for projects.

Debbie will approach **The Clinton County Leader** about a monthly column to explain CCI and its activities.

Jan: Many citizens do not use Internet for local news and events. A countywide library would help with the information gap.

**Lunch for Guiding Coalition meetings:** The group discussed whether to continue offering lunches for a free will donation, move to business sponsored lunches (donations still accepted), or switch to brown bag lunches. Chad offered to provide the April 23<sup>rd</sup> lunch, maybe via Gina Shatto. We will discuss with the next lunch meeting's attendees possible options for the future.

**Grant Update:** Christel received a positive response from Amber at USDA about extending the grant. Next step: NT must produce a document that explains the need for extension.

### **Committee Reports:**

- \*The Content Team has produced its fourth iteration of its research summary and recommendation. More discussion will take place at its April 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting.
- \*The Facilities Team (Chad) has not had an opportunity to do much research yet.
- \*The Marketing Team. Jan, Debbie and Dillan are conducting interviews with local influences about CCI and its projects. They have a list of 75 to approach.
- \*Jim is working to form a committee to produce a Clinton County visitors guide. Deadline for completion is the end of September.

**Funding for grant:** Joe, Jan and Chad are working on strategies and will report at the next meeting.

**Bylaws:** Each team member is asked to review Bylaws to bring them up to date. Jan pointed out that the Bylaws were written when the group considered itself a work team. Now it is more like a board of directors. So a change of purpose in the Bylaws is necessary.

Questions to answer:

- \*What is the definition of a member?
- \*Who can vote?
- \*How do we track current members?



**Minutes:** Secretary will email copies to NT members and archive them on Google Docs. At subsequent meeting, the NT must approve minutes from previous meeting. Paper copies of the minutes will be made available at Guiding Coalition lunch meetings.

**Adjourned:** 9 a.m.