

March 1, 2013
Minnesota Historical Society/ City of Marine on St. Croix
Monthly Conference Call

Attendees: Curt Moe, Tom Ellig, Dan Willenbring

Actions from Last Month

City of Marine

- Letter drafted to state legislators requesting support for the Cultural Resource Study, need to present to council for review, and then will send out
- Meeting with City Engineer on 3/1 to determine the cost of the trail, should have numbers with a schematic design over the next month, look at an immediate solution to improve the existing surface to promote access, provide info to Curt then to Tom. A final solution won't occur until the overall storm water mitigation plan for Marine is complete.
- Village Center concept plan sent to MHS
- Storm Water
 - Washington County Commissioner and County Engineer have attended recent City Council meetings where we discussed plans to address runoff from County Rd 4, Hwy 95 and Marine streets.
 - Marine City Engineer is gathering data to prepare a proposal to provide a comprehensive storm water analysis, should receive proposal in the next 30-45 days.

MHS

- Submitted requests for CRS proposals
- Submitted requests for funding , internal review in March with May 1st finalization of selected projects
- Funding request via 2 channels
 - Asset preservation request on bonding bill
 - Arts Cultural Heritage Fund ACHF –legacy funding
- Confident that MHS' biannual Mill Site management contract with the City of Marine will be funded for next 2 fiscal years (7/1/13 – 6/30/14 and 7/1/14 – 6/30/15.)
 - Next year's preliminary budget from Governor has MHS appropriation at the same level of funding as last year, no decrease, positive step
 - Looking at other sources of funding for annual contract
 - Additional trail work should not impact funding if cost comes in on the lower end
 - July 1 contract renew for annual maintenance program

Next Steps

- Send out letter support MHS request for cultural surveys
- Provide trail cost estimate to Curt and then MHS after city approval
- Get summary of CRS proposals for lower Mill Site

Next conference call meeting set for Monday April 1st, 9:30. Meeting invite sent via email.