

## MRPC Culture & Heritage Committee Meeting Minutes – November 15, 2022

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Chris (MN)  
James (MO)  
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Ann (IA)  
Cliff (AR)  
David (MN)  
Lindsay (KY)  
Mark (MO)

The meeting was called to order at 10:02am.

What gets this committee excited? What about pollinators? Some concern what the pollinator goals are and if it is within the scope of this committee. What are the resources for funding? What about coordination with engineers and road maintenance? Native plants? It could be a huge undertaking. What about distributing seedballs? Contacting USDA Farm Service agency? We will wait to hear from the ERA committee but discussed how we are looking to connect existing pollinator projects along the GRR and be a resource, especially looking at national pollinator week.

Let's look at IC signage needs and see how many overlays are needed and what the cost is. Can we make artwork available and have ICs look for printers in their area that can offer for less cost than Lange Sign Company in Dubuque, Iowa. Minnesota had some indoor signs printed and Chris will provide a visual. However, their vendor is not available for additional printing. Is it possible for some past ICs to recycle their signage and pass on to new ICs.

IC Ambassador Training – let's look at recorded trainings to work in conjunction with state commission visits.

Collect and add themed IC itineraries, like previously printed rack cards.

Model nomination. We'll continue to work on collecting and presenting a model nomination to share.

Annual checklist – Continue to visit the ICs in your state and remember to use your whole state commission to visit the ICS using the online form or print forms from the website and scan and send to the national office.

Committee decided to continue meeting every other month in an effort to stay informed, keep meetings to an hour and not let too much time pass between meetings and engagement.

10:47am Meeting adjourned.