Aspire Johnson County Growth and Planning April 13, 2017

Attendance: Kevin McGinnis, Carmen Parker, Dana Monson, Eric Vermilion, Desiree Calderella, Steve Powell, Cindy Cook

Corridor and thoroughfare: The I 69 interchanges have been announced and reviewed. The main issue that has been brought up is the closure of Fairview Road into a dead end. There are well heads in the area that may be the reason for the dead end. 26 miles new highway, 16 overpasses, 10 interchanges, eliminating traffic signals for all of section 6. 6 lanes from 44 t south port road, 8 lanes from Southport to 465. There will also be frontage roads to provide farmers access to their fields without getting on the new interstate. More information on the plan can be found on the INDOT website.

Trails Connection: Carmen and Teresa

Active living workshop still has spaces available for registration. There are still some elected officials from the town and county that Carmen is trying to get to come, but they may not be able to attend the entire day.

Small business resource workshop: Eric

Small business resource workshop/maker space. Eric is continuing to work with B2Slabs to see if there is a way to find the funds to finish the building. Dana is working with Dave on the Quickbooks workshop which will be held later this spring. More details will be coming.

Collaboration: Kevin

Collaboration meetings are going well. All but one was able to attend and there was strong motivation to continue.

Kenneth Kosky has been hired as the first director of tourism. He is going to come by and meet with Dana in the near future.

Desiree said the white river plan will go to the plan commission at the end of the month. There may be some changes at this meeting which will have to be taken care of before the plan goes for final approval of the commissioners. The plan will be available next week on the county website.