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<b>Subject</b>	Kerry Metzger
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<b>Interviewer</b>	Paula Tucci
<b>Special Notes</b>	Canal Corridor

**minutes:**

- 0 Introduction  
Roaring Springs PA. March 1952, graduated Somerset High School, 1974 Graduate of
- 1 Temple in Dentistry  
1978 moved to New Philadelphia, Ohio, sold dental practice, County Commissioner much
- 2 more structured
- 3 out of dentistry but still has license  
day to day duties-everything from dogs to economic development to jobs, more
- 4 administrative than legislative job
- 5 personnel decisions, like a CEO, one of three commissioner in Tuscarawas County,
- 6 project role, Tuscarawas County Park Department
- 7 incorporate what we have and how to utilize the link between the north and south
- 8 create dots and connect the dots, key projects, local communities involved  
importance of project, bridge across Interstate 77 that connects the towpath, Clean Ohio
- 9 Funds-purchase the land of Rt.
- 10 Dover establish a park and propose pathways from Dover to New Philadelphia
- 11 Buckhorn Creek Trail, ( Newcomerstown) to Bethel Station
- 12 Stone Creek "dot" to connect the Corridor
- 13 Dennison Depot to new water park (Uhrichsville)
- 14 property rights are a concern (Farm Bureau) does not have a Park District
- 15 Facilitate a way to connect the "dots" (Commissioner involvement)
- 16 Contacts (Dan Rice) to get Tuscarawas County involved
- 17 Major hurdles: funds to create projects takes time for the long term
- 18 property rights are a concern (agriculture)
- 19 partnerships not a problem, started from scratch, hired a park director (Gail Doyle)
- 20 expand the contacts
- 21 high tech park- technology based  
created a lot of excitement, show some success then people become involved (planted
- 22 trees)
- 23 Bolivar connecting to the Aquaduct (Dick Liebold instrumental)
- 24 Flooding always will be an issue
- 25 Can't control mother nature  
Landfill is an issue, denied another 300 ft. in height, need to correct the landfill and odor
- 26 issue to minimize impact
- 27 Dover Tollhouse built to create a recreation area
- 28 Use Dover as a "dot", build kiosks historical areas
- 29 kiosks for brewery on Front Street, gateway to Amish Country
- 30 Auto tours and other things
- 31 Landscape change, getting people across I-77
- 32 bridges need to be built to get people across  
Bridges have become a controversy because of cost and whether to allow horses, project
- 33 went from \$1million to \$2 million
- 34 project will never be complete, new ideas creates a "dot"
- 35 important to maintain enthusiasm for the next 25 years
- 36 different levels of enthusiasm
- 37 Clean Ohio Fund, funds for project and industrial clean up (Bonnie's question)
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