

FOUNDATION FOR ADA/CANYON TRAIL SYSTEMS, INC. (F.A.C.T.S.)
COMPASS Board Room 2nd Floor, 700 N.E. 2nd Street, Meridian, ID 83642
Called for 3:00 P.M., August 28, 2019

In attendance:

Mark Eubank	Boise Citizen and Trails Advocate
Rachel Haukkala	COMPASS
Bob Hay	Boise Citizen and Trails Advocate
Sharon Hubler	Citizen and FACTS Secretary
Trevor Kesner	Boise City Parks
Scott Koberg	Ada County Parks & Waterways
Paul Mann	Citizen and Caldwell Pathways & Bike Routes Committee
Robert Minch	Citizen and Eagle Parks, Pathways & Recreation Commission
Wm. "Bill" Mullane	Citizen and city of Garden City representative
Steve Noyes	City of Eagle Trails and Pathways Department
Gary Payne	Citizen and FACTS Vice President
Phil Peterson	Citizen and FACTS Treasurer
Gary Segers	Citizen and Trails Advocate
Don Stockton	Eagle Citizen and Trails Advocate
Tom Helmer	Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation
Mark Wasdahl	ITD District 3, Senior Planner
Guest:	Jeff Shinn

1. Call to order and Introductions Gary Payne, Vice President
The meeting was called to order by Vice President Gary Payne at 3:00 p.m. who in turn introduced and welcomed Tom Helmer representing Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation and Jeff Shinn , citizen activist representing himself as Boise resident and bike enthusiast. He welcomed back Scott Koberg whose schedule has precluded his attendance at several meetings. Rachel Haukkala, representing COMPASS will report on the Rails with Trails project.
2. Approve Agenda (call for additions) Gary Payne, Vice President
By consent the agenda was approved.
3. Administrative Action Items and Officer Report
 - a. Secretary's Report Sharon Hubler, Secretary
 - i. Minutes of June 26, 2019
It was moved by Gary Segers, seconded by Paul Mann to approve the Minutes of June 26, 2019 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
 - b. Treasurer's Report Phil Peterson, Treasurer
 - i. Report on Bank Account
As of 7/31 the bank account is \$ 7,346.68 with an outstanding check for \$ 12.67 in payment of 500 business cards for reimbursement to Jan Johns.
Treasurer Phil moved to accept the bank account report. Motion carried unanimously.
 - c. President's Report Gary Payne, Vice President
 - i. Linder Road Widening Study
Gary attended and gave testimony at the hearing 7/24/19 on the Five Lanes to Seven Lanes with Shared Pathway A.C.H.D. study. He testified that the 7 – foot width of the shared pathway was too narrow. However, The Linder Road Study Preliminary Plan was adopted by the A.C.H.D. Commission that same date with a 2 to 2 vote and the chair's casting the deciding vote.
 - ii. Feedback on letter and news release complimenting A.C.H.D. on its new "app"

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Originally designed for roads it has improved functionality and can be used to report downed trees on bikepath.

d. Special Ad Hoc Committee Reports

i. Rails with Trails

Rachel Haukkala, COMPASS

Study might be done by this Friday from Nampa to Federal Way terminus.

ii. 2009 Boise River Trail Plan Update

Gary Segers

Gary is a member of the ACTIVE Transportation work group and under the direction of COMPASS the plan will be updated and managed.

The electric “data” bike is set for 10 mph; rough terrain makes data collection difficult.

iii. Eagle Island State Park Connector

Robert Minch and Steve Noyes

The easement was presented to Don Newman, his wife and son; now their attorney is reviewing the easement language. It was hoped to exemplify progress on the EISP connection for the 9/21 Greenbelt 50th Anniversary; if the family is not comfortable with that, and consider it premature, it will not be included as part of the information materials. Steve Noyes referred to Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) administered by FEMA for which Eagle has made a grant application.

iv. Star Neighborhood Bicycle & Ped Plan

No Report available

v. Third Bridge on Plantation Island

Discussion

It is important to get Army Corps of Engineers on board, specifically Eric Gerke for a walk through. Bill Mullane as part of his due diligence has met with a Garden City councilor Pam Beaumont who had a file on a previous study. This could be another F.A.C.T.S. asset for the future by assisting with fundraising portion.

It was moved by Gary Segers, seconded by Robert Minch that F.A.C.T.S. approve the expenditure of \$ 300 relying on both Don Stockton and Karl Gebhardt for the location details of the easement application with Idaho Department of Lands.

There was considerable discussion on the situation and elaboration on how to proceed. *It was moved by Gary Segers and Mark Eubanks to call for the question. Motion carried. Question was called and the previous motion carried unanimously.*

4. New Business

a. Public Relations Committee – Mark Eubank, Jan Johns, Robert Minch, Paul Mann, Gary Segers

i. F.A.C.T.S. redesigned brochure

It’s a tri-fold and 500 copies are being printed. Question arose as to whether or not to have a phone number on the brochure.

ii. Possible new LOGO design – in process

iii. 50th Greenbelt Anniversary Booth

Held at Ann Morrison Park, there will be a sign-up sheet for people who visit the booth, “Intent to Give” form. A new map of 26 miles of the Greenbelt will be split in two – Lucky Peak to Capitol and Capitol to Eagle Island State Park indicating the mile needed to reach EISP. Mark Eubank said the F.A.C.T.S. booth will be between COMPASS and city of Boise’s. He noticed no commercial bike shops seem to be involved, but a bunch of food vendors will be participating. Mark needs volunteers between 11:15 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Gary Segers will get two five-foot folding tables. Mark thought the display could include additional

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flyers from other organizations to make it more valley-wide. Email Mark if you have display items and he will gather them up.

iv. On-line presence

Facebook page was launched last week with thanks to Gary Segers who wants to have more information to post. The web site is also available thanks to Gary Payne and his help.

v. Fundraising

PayPal was set up previously. Possibly could have a GoFundMe page and sign up for Amazon Smile account and Fred Meyer Rewards. Bob Hall noted that bridges can be wonderful naming opportunities. Also, cycling jerseys could be sold to greenbelt users.

b. Idaho Oregon Snake River Water Trail

Laura Barbour

Plan to have a report at next month's meeting.

c. Signage, Branding, Maintenance & Integrating mileage marker

i. Jeff Shinn has lived here since 1969 and has ridden on all of the horizontal trails. He heard of F.A.C.T.S. when going out to see the bridge near the W. Boise Water Treatment Plant. He admires how F.A.C.T.S. agitates to get things done.

Persons ride through all these jurisdictions without knowing where they begin and end. He complimented the "Eat, Live, Work, Play" signs and suggests that the greenbelt include such signage as "Entering Boise", "Leaving Garden City."

ii. Mark Eubank commented on the Bike Boulevard running from Camel's Back Park along 11th Street to Shoshone Street Bikeway. Mark, in talking to non-cyclists, says there is nothing to tell a car whose driver needs to be told he or

she is coming onto a bike trail urging drivers' caution. Chevron symbol which is universal he has seen in the color blue and could be posted on cross streets. Mark has studied symbols used in Europe and feels there is room for improvement here.



5. Reports as Time Permits

a. Ada County Highway District

no report

Brooke Green no longer staffs the Bicycle Advisory Committee. It is suggested that a DRAFT letter be composed for review at the next F.A.C.T.S. meeting in order to update representation from A.C.H.D.

b. Ada County Parks & Waterways

Scott Koberg

Tuesday, last week, Ada County adopted its FY 20 budget in which there was listed the Ada County Expo and Sun Roc trail sections as Capital projects with a \$250k line item ongoing maintenance expense. He indicated that the F.A.C.T.S. letter lent support to the line item. Barns will be demolished adjacent to the greenbelt, which could provide better than the existing alignment (one mile) between Marigold and Plantation Island.

c. Boise River Enhancement Network

no report

d. Caldwell Pathways and Bike Routes Committee

Paul Mann

Paul stated the city council approved a budget. **Join The Sierra Club and the Caldwell Pathways and Bike Route Committee in a guided group ride on Saturday, September 21st, 12 noon exploring connectivity with Lake Lowell project and Vallivue H.S. as two examples.**

e. Canyon County

no report

f. Canyon Highway District No. 4

no report

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- g. City of Boise Trevor Kesner
Trevor reminded that the 50th Anniversary is coming up Thursday through Saturday, September 19-21. Boise has an annual program for inspecting portions of the greenbelt so it is pretty well aware of the lacks/needs for maintenance. During the rebuild of portions of the greenbelt, the goal is to use concrete.
 - h. City of Eagle Trails & Pathways Steve Noyes
Bike/Ped Plan ready at the end of October. Flood District #10 showed a 2D model of Boise River to Eagle City Council last night depicting simulations of material removal and offered educated opinion of velocity and depth of virtually every foot of the river. Greenbelt signage project indicating “dog on leash”, “pick up dog waste” is in the works. Message to HOAs is that easement for “public pathway” has been provided by adjacent owners.
 - i. City of Eagle Parks, Pathways & Recreation Commission nothing further
 - j. City of Garden City Bill Mullane
Nothing further other than 1/10 mile markers are now along G.C.’s bike path.
 - k. City of Kuna no report
 - l. City of Meridian Parks & Pathways no report
 - m. City of Nampa Parks Department Phil Peterson
Nampa is closing in on finishing its update Bike/Ped Plan in September. ALTA its consultant had great public input in August.
 - n. City of Star no report
 - o. COMPASS Rachel Haukkala
A few brochures are on the table regarding the T.I.P being open for public comment.
 - p. Idaho Transportation Department Mark Wasdahl, Sr. Planner
Though originally on the 11th Street Project his area of participation has been rescoped and he is working on striping and other activities south of Boise High School.
 - q. Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation Tom Helmer
He will give a report at the next meeting.
6. Adjournment
The meeting stood adjourned at 5:01 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Hubler, Secretary