

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., April 24, 2019

In attendance:

Laura Barbour	Canyon Co. Parks/Idaho-Oregon Snake River Water Trail
Wm. F. "Bill" Gigray	Citizen and FACTS President
Sharon Hubler	Citizen and FACTS Secretary
Kim Ingraham	City of Star Recreation Director
Liisa Itkonen	COMPASS
Jan Johns	Executive Director, IFP&L
Paul Mann	Citizen and Caldwell Bike & Path Committee
Wm. "Bill" Mullane	Citizen and city of Garden City representative
Steve Noyes	City of Eagle Trails and Pathways Department
Gary Segers	Citizen and Trails Advocate
Cody Swander	City of Nampa Parks
Kim Warren	City of Meridian Pathways Project Manager
Mark Wasdahl	ITD District 3 Sr. Projects Planner

1. Call to order and introductions

The meeting was called to order by President Bill Gigray at 3:04 p.m.

2. Approve Agenda (call for additions)

William F. Gigray, President

It was moved by Jan Johns, seconded by Gary Segers that the agenda be approved with no additions. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Administrative Action Items and Officers' Reports

a. Secretary's Report

Sharon Hubler, Secretary

i. Minutes of March 27, 2019

It was moved by Jan Johns, seconded by Gary Segers to approve the minutes of March 27, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Treasurer's Report – not given due to absence of Phil Peterson

Please note: Ada County Commission (BOCC) granted 100.0% tax exemption 3/26/19 on property owned by F.A.C.T.S. (Note Added: Parcel Number: SO522244300 was purchased April 5, 2010 by F.A.C.T.S. for \$ 4,000 even though 2010 Assessment notice showed Assessed Value of \$ 5,500. The assessment of \$ 6.50 annually is for Drainage District #4.)

c. President's Report

William F. Gigray, President

- i. Follow-up to Letter to Idaho Walk/Bike Alliance – Cynthia Gibson talked to Don Kostelec to get a date for F.A.C.T.S. presentation in May or June. Kim Warren has been in regular contact with Cynthia, both of whom agree on safe intersections on roads of five or six lanes being huge barriers to pedestrians. Bill Mullane noted that the University and Capital Blvds. at BSU intersection with islands now works beautifully. Bill Gigray agreed that intersection safety consists in good design. He would like to have ITD and A.C.H.D. engineering input as part of the F.A.C.T.S. goals.
- ii. Next agency(ies) in front of which to make other presentations and continuing with city of Meridian on important linkage to park below Phyllis Canal – Gary Segers spoke before Steve Noyes Parks, Pathways and Recreation Commission in Eagle last week. New folks on that commission so important to get the word out. Next one could be city of Middleton. Gary will appear at the next month's meeting of city of Star Gary Recreation Commission where he will take two PPTs and blend them into the message; he also will emphasize Eagle Island to Linder Road.

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- iii. Linder Road Upgrade – Bill asked Mark Wasdahl if there were any upgrades on Linder/Hwy 20/26 and S.H. 16 to Eagle Road. Mark responded that COSTCO area starting on half of it this fall. Steve Noyes commented on Linder Road design as going to five lanes, potentially seven. He would like F.A.C.T.S. to get on A.C.H.D. agenda for the Bicycle Advisory Committee on protected bike lane and vertical grade right-of-way. Mark Wasdahl added that the city of Star comprehensive plan includes bike-ped corridor on S.H. 16.
 - iv. Condition of Garden City pathway link near Expo Idaho horse barn – plans are not yet formulated for Expo Idaho horse race track so nothing to report on pathway.
 - v. Third bridge to access Plantation Island – Bill Mullane said there are a lot of unknowns: at what point is the access, which is intriguing from the standpoint of avoiding the 52nd Street detour. There are maintenance and cost issues of course. Easements are still being surveyed on Plantation Island that will be designated for Idaho Department of Lands. Idaho Foundation for Parks and Lands is still in negotiation on the potential transfer of Plantation Island involving an exchange and certain other easement considerations in the Barber Pool area.
- d. Special Ad Hoc Committee Reports
- i. Rails with Trails Update Paul Mann , Gary Payne
Paul Mann said that the contract with ALTA is signed and a kick-off meeting is planned for next Wednesday, between 2-4 pm on the COMPASS first floor. Kim Warren with city of Meridian under leadership of Steve Siddoway is working west of Meridian City Hall to 8th Street north of rail corridor one-half mile to one mile toward Linder on which four easements currently are involved. City of Meridian will partner with Nampa-Meridian Irrigation District to tile some drains and give needed permission to contact owners.
 - ii. 2009 Boise River Trail plan update Liisa Itkonen
Being handled by COMPASS ACTIVE Transportation Work Group
 - iii. EISP State Park Connector Steve Noyes
Three easements signed to get to Newman. Newmans wanted Hart-Davis Ditch to be satisfied with access. Flood District #10 will be using 300-400 cubic yards of pit-run as part of the non-public access for getting to Eagle Island State Park and satisfying the Newman family. Construction specifications on the pathway are good enough to provide access for vehicles and equipment as well. Steve has FEMA grants underway on Site 2, which will get the trail to Newmans.
 - iv. Star Neighborhood Bicycle and Ped Plan Kim Ingraham
It has been turned over to councilman. Bill Gigray asked how will Star connect to pathway as it moves toward S.H. 16 and connect with city of Eagle coming west?
4. New Business
- a. Public Relations Committee – Robert Minch, Gary Segers, Jan Johns and Paul Mann
Jan reported that p-r committee had met for 1.5 hours couple weeks ago and noted that F.A.C.T.S. wants more visibility by:
 - Working with mission statement / or creating a new organizational identity
 - Budgeting how to raise money...Is F.A.C.T.S. going to actively seek donations?
 - Committee wishes to meet regularly
 - b. Idaho-Oregon Snake River Water Trail Laura Barbour

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November 2018 convened steering committee to work, which had not met since 2011. Next meeting will be held in Fruitland and basically the steering committee has set up its schedule to meet every three months. Here is the Google Drive link for matters related to

Idaho-Oregon Snake River Water Trail:
https://drive.google.com/open?id=1XbjE7a_L750ehDzNE8Dv-PeV-Zbc9v7M

5. Reports as Time Permits

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| a. Ada County Highway District | no report |
| b. Ada County Parks & Waterways | no report |
| c. Boise River Enhancement Network | no report |
| d. Caldwell Trails and Pathways Committee | Paul Mann |
| Caldwell is looking for a new director. | |
| e. Canyon County | no report |
| f. City of Boise | no report |
| g. City of Garden City | Bill Mullane |
| Already covered | |
| h. Canyon Highway District No. 4 | no report |
| i. City of Eagle Trails & Pathways Department | Steve Noyes |
| Sign company dealing with leash law and dog waste problem. "This public pathway is built on an easement granted to the city of Eagle by the adjacent property owners to enhance our quality of life. Please respect theirs." <u>Stay on the path Leash your pets</u> | |
| j. City of Eagle Parks & Pathways Development | Steve Noyes, substituting for Robert Minch |
| Temporary traffic counters at Garden City border, Laguna Point; baseline to Pamela Baker Trail or Eagle Island State Park nexus. Budget to fund 3 of 11 counters permanently. | |
| k. City of Kuna | Wendy Howell |
| Comprehensive plan went to P & Z, passed easily; pathway along Indian Creek, purchased house for office. Links with Meridian, Nampa and Ada County | |
| l. City of Meridian Parks & Pathways | Kim Warren |
- To complete her report Kim sent a couple links to better understand our questions on A.C.H.D. Project planning: http://www.achdidaho.org/Projects/proj_study_linder-road-chinden-boulevard-to-state-highway-44.aspx
- <http://www.achdidaho.org/Documents/Projects/Linder%20Area%20Projects%20Map.pdf>
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| m. City of Nampa Parks Department | no report |
| n. City of Star | Kim Ingraham |
| Already covered | |
| o. COMPASS | Liisa Itkonen |
| Already covered | |
| p. Idaho Transportation Department | Mark Wasdahl |
| Nothing further | |
| q. Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation | need replacement |

As a follow-up to the Boise City 50-Year Greenbelt Celebration, Jan Johns will be meeting with Bonnie Shelton tomorrow. This event will occur September 19-21, 2019. Here is a link for more information:

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<https://parks.cityofboise.org/news/2019/03/city-of-boise-to-celebrate-50th-anniversary-of-the-boise-river-greenbelt/>

It was moved by Gary Segers, seconded by Paul Mann that Jan Johns represents F.A.C.T.S. as part of the p-r committee. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting stood adjourned at 5:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Hubler, Secretary