

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., May 22, 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
Braden Cervetti	COMPASS
Mark Eubank	Boise Citizen and Trails Advocate
Kim Ingraham	City of Star Recreation Director
Jan Johns	Executive Director, IFP&L
Trevor Kesner	Boise Parks
Scott Koberg	Ada County Parks & Waterways
Robert Minch	Citizen and Eagle Trails and Pathways representative
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
Cody Swander	City of Nampa Parks
Mark Wasdahl	ITD District 3 Sr. Projects Planner

Guests:

Bob Hay
Don Kostelec
Bonnie Shelton

1. Call to order and introductions

The meeting was called to order by President Bill Gigray at 3:01 p.m.

President Gigray welcomed Bob Hay – avid bicyclist, Idaho Shakespeare Festival past president and board member, guest of Jan Johns; Don Kostelec, transportation planning and safety; and, Bonnie Shelton, Communications Manager, city of Boise and co-ordinator for 50-Year Greenbelt Anniversary, introduced by Trevor Kesner.

Bonnie is working with the Greenbelt and Pathways Committee on the 50-Year anniversary to be held September 19 through 21. Boise Arts & History Department is a partner in the celebration as well as Mayors and Commissioners of Ada County. The 25-mile greenbelt is an awesome amenity; there will be walking and biking tours. President Gigray thanked Bonnie for her work and asked if it would be possible to have her back for the August meeting. Her response was "yes."

Don Kostelec, AICP #020117 is a board member of Idaho Walk Bike Alliance who helps communities better engage transportation design for more equitable and safer street design that prioritizes the safety of people as a paradigm shift over movement of cars known as "walkability." Don moved back to Boise three years ago. He has been in private consulting ten years since leaving A.C.H.D. and is a principal in Vitruvian Planning. The Danish, Dutch and Swede model is called Vision Zero, which recognizes that the only acceptable number of traffic deaths is zero. Here in Idaho a pedestrian or bicyclist dies or is seriously injured every three days. Instead of attempting to perfect human behavior these countries recognize

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they must design roads to reduce crash severity. Instead traffic signals are designed for the thru-put of a three-ton vehicle, not pedestrians. The distance between gaps in crosswalks is often 3,000 feet instead of quarter mile crossings and 200 to 300 feet crossings in high traffic areas. Don suggests design features should be retrofitted for safety. In Ada County the economic costs are 87 million; in Canyon County, 26 million. Don cited Salt Lake City as most relatable to Boise, Denver is improving and Bend, Oregon with high volume bicycling is safe for bicyclists. Sources include Pedestrian and Bicycle Information Center, U of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; National Association of City Transportation Officials; America Walks; League of American Bicyclists; Lupe Wissel, AARP Idaho State Director; and. COMPASS TIP. A big thank you to Don for his informative presentation.

2. Administrative Action Items and Officer Reports

a. Secretary's Report

Sharon Hubler, Secretary

i. Minutes of April 24, 2019

It was moved by Jan Johns, seconded by Phil Peterson to approve the minutes of April 24, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Treasurer's Report

Phil Peterson, Treasurer

i. Report on Bank Account, which stands at \$ 7,359.35

It was moved by Phil Peterson, seconded by Gary Segers to accept the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried unanimously.

c. President's Report

William F. Gigray, President

i. State Street, Hwy. 44, nothing immediate to report

ii. Garden City Sunroc Greenbelt and Ada County pathway link near Expo Idaho horse barns, Scott Koberg invited to update. Scott realizes there are lingering questions on the condition of the bikepath between Marigold Parking Lot and Remington Street. Bob Batista resigned as director from Expo Idaho in February and county was not prepared to solicit and/or hire a new director. Scott's last day as interim director of Expo Idaho is this coming Friday, May 24th. The Expo Idaho position currently remains unfulfilled and the county is ready to re-advertise. Scott has been busy filling the two positions. This parcel is odd (behind the horse barns) within the county jurisdiction and it has been amalgamated with the Expo Idaho property. Expo Idaho is an enterprise fund, not tax supported, something of an odd duck in the operational paradigm. Speaking to the Capital Improvement Program many general fund budget requests were made this past January 2019 including \$ 706k needed to replace, widen, same alignment the 11-foot asphalt path. The Board of Ada County Commissioners did not rank this request highly. Don Stockton called for F.A.C.T.S. to write a letter of support from F.A.C.T.S. as a whole or individual representatives addressed to the Ada County Commissioners with a copy to Koberg in the form of a \$ 250k supplemental request.

It was moved by Gary Segers, seconded by Jan Johns that a letter of support be drafted and send to the Board of Ada County Commissioners on behalf of the supplemental request. Motion carried unanimously.

Reporting on the SunRoc/ Judy Peavey-Derr pathway there has been minor flooding and a grant was submitted to FEMA for \$ 47,000 to replace the fencing and bring asphalt back to condition. The extension on this money will end 9-30-19.

3. Reports as Time Permits

a. City of Nampa Parks Department

Cody Swander

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Public Input is being taken on the Master Plan with a Survey and an Interactive Map on the ALTA Design web site. Closing is 5-31-19.

- b. City of Boise Parks Department Trevor Kesner
Boise River flows have receded without flooding other than Bethine Church river trail.
Phase II of the Boise River Park involves a closure that should be concluded by end of June.
- c. City of Garden City Bill Mullane
Greenbelt around Heron Park is now open.
- d. City of Eagle Parks & Recreation Steve Noyes
Met today with Hart Davis Ditch Co. Flood District #10 is partnering to build access with a road independent of the project. Submitted a Recreational Trails Program Phase I grant, which looks good. The Highway 44 dig should be done within two weeks.
- e. Idaho Oregon Snake River Water Trail Laura Barbour
Meeting Wednesday, May 29th in Fruitland.

Don Stockton reported that Idaho Dept. of Lands and Ada County Surveyor will have finished the survey on Plantation Island to come up with the easement demarcation this weekend.

The meeting stood adjourned at 5:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Hubler, Secretary