

MINUTES OF MEETING

Parks, Open Space and Trails Advisory Board – February 26, 2014 Ada County Parks and Waterways Administration building

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chris Cook, Kyle Hemly, Jim Keller and Mark Suderman

MEMBERS ABSENT: Paul Woods, David McKinnon and Brandy Wilson

STAFF PRESENT: Scott Koberg and Carolyn Nitz

OTHERS PRESENT: Rick Yzaguirre, Board of Ada County Commissioners,

INTRODUCTION:

Chairman Chris Cook called the meeting to order at 12:07 p.m. No conflicts of interest were declared by Advisory Board members.

MOTION: Approval of the minutes from the January 22nd meeting. Chris Cook motioned to approve the minutes, Jim Keller seconded; motion passes

AGENDA CHANGE

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

HUBBARD RESERVOIR:

Scott Koberg reported we have the two approvals from Central District Health. Everything is moving along and we are working with Operations on the bid process.

OREGON TRAIL MASTER PLAN:

No new report on the Master Plan. There is a new resident in the area and they have requested a marathon that would start at our trailhead they will be supplying more information.

AVIMOR:

There have been four meetings since our last Park Board meeting. Avimor wants Ada County to hold all trails easements within the private land of Avimor. Ada County is working on revising the easements. The additional \$5,000 to Ridge to Rivers will provide technical assistance with educational opportunities like signage and trail connections.

REDHAWK ESTATES:

We had been informed that Ada County would be served a lawsuit on the Red Hawk purchase, as of this morning we have not been served. We would like to move forward with planning. Our Prosecuting Attorney is submitting a letter to the Attorney stating that Parks, Open Space and Trails are going to proceed with planning.

ADA EAGLE SPORTS COMPLEX:

Eagle City has made a \$500 an acre offer on the additional 6 acres. The Ada County Commissioners accepted the offer with a 2 to 1 vote. Legal is working on the details. The remaining 10.2 miles of trails outside of 46 acres Eagle City will be purchasing will be cancelled and will revert back to Ada County.

NEW BUSINESS

PARKS, OPEN SPACE, AND TRAILS ADVISORY BOARD HANDBOOK:

The Advisory Board has been given a handbook to allow the members to organize the materials. This handbook will also give members the background on the expectations of the Board.

WARM SPRINGS PATHWAY GRANT PROPOSAL:

We have submitted a grant proposal for the 1.3 miles of greenbelt improvement project from Diversion Dam to Shakespeare Way we should hear on March 19th if we have been successful. This is a \$1.33 million project. The funding request made to ITD is the maximum of \$500,000 our match is \$833,000 of in-kind and cash which \$600,000 is being committed as a capital match from our departments fund balance.

RIDGE TO RIVERS UPDATE:

The mountain bike race policy has been signed. With the collaborative ownership of land the race policy helps to reduce trail pressure and wildlife management.

ADA COUNTY CAPITAL INVESTMENT PROGRAM:

Ada County is working on a capital investment program this will pertain to projects of \$100,000 or more.

NEW ADA COUNTY WEBSITE:

Ada County has launched a new website. We are going to be updating our department's pages.

ADJOURNMENT

Chris Cook adjourned the meeting at 1:22 p.m.