

MINUTES OF MEETING

Parks, Open Space and Trails Advisory Board – July 24, 2013 Ada County Parks and Waterways Administration building

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chris Cook, David McKinnon, Jim Keller, Kyle Hemly, Brandy Wilson and Brian Baker

MEMBERS ABSENT: Paul Woods

STAFF PRESENT: Amanda Bartlett and Carolyn Nitz

OTHERS PRESENT: Commissioner Yzaguirre, Bill and Joan Mattox, Friends of Hubbard Reservoir

INTRODUCTION:

Chairman Chris Cook called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m. No conflicts of interest were declared by Advisory Board members.

MOTION: Approval of the minutes from the June 26th meeting. Brian Baker motioned to approve the minutes, Jim Keller seconded; motion passes

AGENDA CHANGE

Move agenda item Hubbard Reservoir to first item.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

HUBBARD RESERVOIR:

The Advisory Board discussed the fencing.

MOTION: Brian Baker motioned to consult with volunteers to remove the existing barb wire fencing. If the volunteer option does not come through we will use the SILD crew. Expanding the dog leash area to align with the loop trail and investigate using signage for the dog off leash area before proceeding with the fencing and cost analysis for the Carsonite post option, David McKinnon seconded; motion passes

There is \$20,000 in our FY14 budget for amenities at Hubbard.

MOTION: Jim Keller motioned to obtain pricing and rental information for restroom facilities with feasibility of the flood plain, Chris Cook seconded; motion passes

AVIMOR COMMUNITY TRAILS:

Amanda Bartlett has tried to contact Charlie Baun but has not been able to connect with him.

DIRECTOR RECRUITMENT STATUS:

Interviews of the top five candidates will be August 2nd and 5th. There should be an offer to the selected candidate by the afternoon of the 5th.

BONNEVILLE MONUMENT PARK UPDATE:

Bureau of Land Management (BLM) wanted to purchase or trade to for the property to protect it. Our legal department advised us that the County does not intend to sell the property. The Oregon Trail is being protected by the County. It is recommended by the Advisory Board to have the protection of the Oregon Trail put in writing.

The Advisory Board mentioned there is trash along the Oregon Tail and inquired about clean up. It was advised that if anyone sees trash to please report it to the Parks and Waterways Department.

COMMUNITY CHOICES GRANT:

We have submitted the intent to apply. The application will be due September 3rd if we are selected to apply. We are in a waiting period until we hear back from Idaho Transportation Department (ITD).

BOISE CITY TRAIL USAGE SURVEY:

There is a potential opportunity to partner with Boise City in their 10 year River Usage Management Plan. They will be completing a survey in September. Amanda Bartlett has contacted Shayne Weston and has a meeting next week to meet with them to see if we can add one of our greenbelt locations to this survey. This will allow the County to get usage data for portions of the greenbelt that the County maintains.

Amanda Bartlett has asked the Advisory Board if they could volunteer to collect this data and if they have recommendations on a location site.

EAGLE CITY UPDATE:

The Eagle City Council has advised that there is not any presentation at this time until it is further along in the planning and the budget has been set.

BONNEVILLE POINT SUBDIVISION:

The Commissioners' office submitted your response to Boise City. There will be a public hearing on August 12th if anyone is interested in attending.

NEW BUSINESS

DIVERSION DAM HOUSING PROJECT:

BLM has approached the County regarding a project proposal. BLM owns a parcel of land next to the Diversion Dam and the Penitentiary Canal. They are going to remove the two abandoned house and would like to covert it into a picnic/park area with parking and signage and possibly a restroom later. BLM would like to partner with Ada County in cost sharing and then have Ada County maintain the parcel when it is complete. The Board of Ada County Commissions would like to have additional firm details. We have asked BLM for more information.

ADJOURNMENT

Chris Cook adjourned the meeting at 1:12 p.m.