

MINUTES OF MEETING

Parks, Open Space and Trails Advisory board - August 24, 2016 Ada County Parks and Waterways Administration Building

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chris Cook, Kari Kostka, Marc Grubert, David McKinnon

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mark Suderman, Julia Kertz-Grant, Jim Keller

STAFF PRESENT: Scott Koberg and Candy Hahlbeck

OTHERS PRESENT: Rick Yzaguirre, Board of Ada County Commissioners; Megan Basham, Ada County Development Services

INTRODUCTION:

C. Cook called the meeting to order at 12:02 and welcomed Megan. S. Koberg introduced C. Hahlbeck.

C. Cook stated the approval of minutes will be tabled to the September meeting.

S. Koberg requested the agenda items be read into the record and a motion be made to approve them.

C. Cook read the agenda items into the record.

Motion: C. Cook moved to approve the agenda. K. Kostka seconded. The motion passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

DEPARTMENT BUDGET FY17:

S. Koberg provided an update of the Parks and Waterways budget requests for FY17 and explained the Capital Improvement Project request process. He advised that the Warm Springs Mesa Greenbelt Project was approved for \$300,000 and the Penitentiary Canal Project was approved for \$848,000. He informed the Board that a supplemental request for \$60,000 to be allocated to the Redhawk Property Project was also approved.

The parties discussed the project contributions and possible grant funding.

R. Yzaguirre explained there was more money available this year to allocate.

WARM SPRINGS MESA GREENBELT:

S. Koberg stated the contract was awarded to Knife River and discussed the project.

The parties discussed signage and path closures.

R. Yzaguirre stated he believes this will be a good signature project for community impact.

RIDGE TO RIVERS:

S. Koberg provided an update stating the final trail plan will be released once the BLM has reviewed an accompanying letter and all agency partners review and sign said letter.

S. Koberg summarized discussions from the 4th quarter meeting.

The parties discussed issues with vending on trails in the foothills and the Table Rock fire budget impact to Ridge to Rivers.

REDHAWK PROPERTY:

S. Koberg provided an update on the Redhawk Property site visit with David Gordon and Julia Kertz-Grant and discussed funding and potential contracting for trail construction.

The parties discussed boundaries where the pathways connect.

C. Cook stated it is important to invite equestrian groups to a meeting prior to planning pathways.

M. Grubert inquired on legal issues slowing progress of Redhawk. S. Koberg responded that he is not concerned with those issues delaying progress and expects the legal matters related to the property to be resolved in the near future due to county ownership of the property.

BIKE PARK:

The parties discussed the slickspot peppergrass issue and the possible future trail implications including potential trail closure and/or additional signage.

S. Koberg reported on summer maintenance, map posting and cancelled Eagle City trail event.

The parties discussed Treasure View Traverse Trail re-route project currently planned for Fall 2016.

ADA COUNTY 2025:

M. Basham stated the draft Comprehensive Plan is scheduled for Public Hearing on September 15, 2016, in front of the Planning and Zoning Commission. She explained the Focus Area One County Resources and Amenities document relating to Parks and Waterways.

M. Basham will plan to attend the September meeting to further discuss Dry Creek Planned Community Trail Connections prior to the October 6, 2016, Planning and Zoning Commission Hearing.

S. Koberg will forward the Board the Dry Creek Planned Community Application.

M. Basham stated comments can be made online or emailed directly to her on the Comprehensive Plan.

ADJOURNMENT

C. Cook adjourned the meeting at 1:13.