

MINUTES OF MEETING

Parks, Open Space and Trails Advisory Board – July 17, 2019 Ada County Parks and Waterways Administration building

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kari Kostka, Karen Danley, Hilarie Engle, Emily Reaves, Scott Frey, Chris Miller

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Mike Edwards, Candy Hahlbeck, Scott Koberg

OTHER: David Corcoran (Development Services)

INTRODUCTION:

K. Kostka called the meeting to order at 12:06 p.m. No conflicts of interest were declared by Advisory Board members.

S. Frey moved to approve the June minutes. C. Miller seconded. Motion passed. Proxy voting update was added to the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

PROXY VOTING:

S. Koberg updated the Board on advice regarding proxy voting from the PA's office. Proxy voting is something that can happen, if the Board would like. It would involve amending the by-laws. The PA's office advised against this because it takes away from the purpose of having the quorum present. It would also allow for 1 member to outvote the present members if there were four members present at a meeting. It is discouraged because this board needs to be participatory.

K. Kostka inquired if anyone wanted to pursue proxy voting. A short discussion was held. Board members chose not to pursue proxy voting.

SUBCOMITTEES:

There has been some interest within the Board pertaining to creating subcommittees for certain properties. K. Kostka reminded the Board that there needs to be at least 2 Board members to have a subcommittee. The Chair can appoint a subcommittee Chair and the subcommittee Chair can bring in any partner members they would like. The idea is that there is a more focused and concerted effort to help make recommendations that are non-binding. The conversations at the last meeting centered on Hubbard Reservoir and Oregon Trail which are both in some form of planning for future improvements. There may also be some subcommittee interest in other topics such as E-Bikes. E. Reaves inquired what the mission statement for a subcommittee topic would be. K. Kostka responded that she wasn't sure if a specific mission statement was needed, but the goal should be to be more on top of some of the activities and happenings and to be able to bring up to date information to the Board. K. Danley added that she wanted to reiterate her interest in chairing an Oregon Trail subcommittee. S. Frey inquired if there was a current plan time frame for Hubbard Reservoir? S. Koberg responded that his timeframe was when the lease was set to expire, but it is fairly fluid at this point. The lease expires in 2027. S. Frey went on to ask if we planned to renew the lease when it expires. S. Koberg responded that we do. C. Miller inquired if there are other topics beyond Hubbard and Oregon Trail where a subcommittee could be utilized. S. Koberg responded that E-Bikes are currently a hot topic. Another topic is dog on/off leash issues. M. Edwards added one way trails could also be an issue. S. Koberg added cultural/historic education for Oregon Trail and also staying on designated trails. K. Kostka inquired if there were members interested in being a part of a subcommittee. E. Reaves is interested in Oregon Trail, dog on/off leash. C. Miller is interested in the

Ada/Eagle Bike Park. H. Engle is interested in Oregon Trail and dog on/off leash. K. Danley is interested in Hubbard and Oregon Trail and K. Kostka is interested in the Ada/Eagle Bike Park. K. Danley added that she was torn between having an equestrian subcommittee and an equestrian on each subcommittee. K. Kostka responded that she would like to think that the thought process wouldn't be limited to the specific users that make up the subcommittee. C. Miller suggested that the subcommittee Chair and members were responsible for making sure all user groups were taken into consideration.

ADJOURNMENT

K. Kostka adjourned the meeting at 12:38p.m. Barber Park tour started.