



Bountiful Trails Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes Thursday, August 20, 2020 5:00 p.m.

Present: BTAC Committee Members – Jesse Bell, Bret Hutchings, Bob Larsen (Chair), Melanie Larsen, Eric Rasmussen; City Staff – Brock Hill, Curtis Poole;
Excused: Committee Members – Brad Hansen, Clint Watson (Vice-Chair); City Staff – Francisco Astorga; Trail Partners – Jeff Oyler (Davis County Planner), Zinnia Wilson (Forest Service)
Visitors: Kate Bradshaw, Jared Justensen, Sherrelyn Larsen

1. Welcome

Chairman Larsen joined the meeting via Zoom and indicated his connection was unstable and suggested someone else chair the committee. Jesse Bell acting as Chair Pro Tem welcomed committee members, staff and residents to the meeting.

2. Committee Assignments

Ms. Larsen indicated she has been putting more information onto social media. She has started an Instagram account, BountifulUtahTrails, and will link to the Bountiful Trails Advisory Facebook page. She has posted information about trail etiquette, especially for mountain bikers, and will post the information regarding fire restrictions. Mr. Hill noted the City received a donation of \$10,000 from Charles Livsey last year to build the North Canyon single track trail. Mr. Rasmussen indicated the City also received a bid from APEX to build the North Canyon single track. Mr. Poole reminded the committee of Chairman Larsen's connection with volunteers and equipment to help build the trail. He also indicated as of yet the City is not wanting to separate the trail from the trailhead purchase. He also indicated the City has received two bids for the Mueller Park downhill trail and would make a decision next week. He also explained the City will apply for the Holbrook Canyon bridge permits through the Utah Division of Water Rights. The City will apply for all six bridges, even though an alternative route may be developed in Holbrook Canyon. Mr. Hill noted the Parks Department has many of the tools needed for trail building; however, it would depend upon the number of volunteers. The City will look into acquiring additional tools and equipment.

3. Mueller Park Downhill

The committee asked how soon the survey work could be completed once the bids were awarded. Mr. Poole indicated he didn't have a specific timeframe from each of the applicants. Mr. Rasmussen noted that the work would need to be done quickly

so that the City could apply for grants to build the trail.

4. City Update

Mr. Poole informed the committee the City Council had voted to place a bond measure on the ballot this November. He indicated the City would use the money to purchase Washington Elementary and to develop recreational parks in its place. He also said the City would use some of the money for trails, and with the amount requested it could fund a good portion of the trail network the committee is discussing. Chairman Larsen informed the committee of an online trails meeting, sponsored by the Governor's Office of Economic Development (GOED), scheduled for September 17th. He suggested committee members attend and divide up in the sessions offered to maximize what could be learned.

5. Adjournment

The Committee decided its next meeting would be held on Thursday, September 10th, at 5:00 p.m. Chairman Pro Tem Bell adjourned the meeting.