

Bountiful Trails Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes Thursday, February 25, 2021

Present: BTAC Committee Members – Jesse, Bell, Brad Hansen, Bret Hutchings, Bob Larsen (Chair), Melanie Larsen, Eric Rasmussen, Clint Watson (Vice-Chair); City Staff – Francisco Astorga. Curtis Poole

Trail Partners - Zinnia Wilson, Forest Service

Excused: City Staff - Brock Hill

Visitors: Dan Boulin, Don Greenfield, Steve Slatter

1. Welcome

Chairman Larsen opened the meeting. Minutes were not sent with the packet and were tabled for review to the next meeting.

2. Grants Update

Mr. Watson discussed the items that were needed to submit for the GOED regional grant. The City would need to determine an economic purpose for and how many jobs would be created by the projects. The submission would also need to include letters of support. The Committee discussed possible names of individuals and officials to write letters. These would be coordinated through Mr. Watson.

3. Volunteer Service Day Schedule

Ms. Larsen discussed the need to schedule days each month when the Committee could coordinate volunteers for trail projects, especially during the summer months so families could plan their vacations. The Committee decided the first service day would be April $24^{\rm th}$ and would decide on the nature of the project at the next meeting.

4. Trail Logo

Mr. Poole discussed the need to create a trail logo that would appear at all trailheads, wayfinding signs and printed material. The Committee decided that it would be ideal to have a graphic design competition involving the local high schools and graphic designers. The current City logo would be the center of the new logo to be consistent across City departments and services. Mr. Watson reminded the Committee a trail would not be considered completed until signs have been installed.

5. Permits and Approvals for Trail Projects

Ms. Wilson, Program Manger for the Forest Service, discussed the NEPA requirements and timeframes for trail projects. The Committee discussed possible trails that would require Forest Service approval. Ms. Wilson will send the applications and checklists to the City. Chairman Larsen pointed out the Trails Implementation Plan would need to be updated as many of the projects slated for this year would likely need to be pushed back until next year.

Ms. Larsen asked about the amount of trash accumulating on the Muller Park Trail. She suggested having signs posted regarding disposal of dog poop and other waste and a trash can before the footbridge in Muller Park Canyon. Ms. Wilson explained this was outside Forest Service property. Mr. Poole said this would need to be coordinated with the Parks Department to see if the City wanted to include this service at this location.

6. Visitor Comments

Mr. Boulin is a landscape architect and would be willing to help with the Forest Service approval process. He asked Ms. Wilson questions regarding specific items needed in the permits. Mr. Slatter asked about the North Canyon Trailhead. Mr. Poole explained a conceptual design has not been created yet.

7. City Update

Mr. Poole explained how City engineers have flown a drone over the North Canyon Trailhead area to survey City property that will be used for the trailhead. Mr. Astorga thanked the Committee for all their hard work and reiterated the appreciation the City had for what they were doing.

The next meeting was scheduled for March 18th. Chairman Larsen adjourned the meeting.