

FOUNDATION FOR ADA/CANYON TRAIL SYSTEMS, INC. (F.A.C.T.S.)
COMPASS Board Room 2nd Floor, 700 N.E. 2nd Street, Meridian, ID 83642

Called for 3:00 P.M.

September 26, 2018

In attendance:

Wm. F. "Bill" Gigray	Citizen and FACTS President
Rachel Haukkala	COMPASS (Rails with Trails)
Sharon Hubler	Citizen and FACTS Secretary
Liisa Itkonen	COMPASS
Jan Johns	Executive Director,IFP&L
Kathy Kershner	Canyon County Parks, Cultural & Natural Resources
Scott Koberg	Ada County Parks & Waterways Director
Paul Mann	Citizen and Caldwell Bike & Path Committee
Robert Minch	Citizen and Eagle Resident
Wm. "Bill" Mullane	Citizen and city of Garden City representative
Steve Noyes	City of Eagle Trails and Pathways Department
Gary Payne	Citizen and FACTS Vice President
Phil Peterson	Citizen and FACTS Treasurer
Gary Segers	Citizen and Trails Advocate
Brian Smith	J-U-B Engineers
Don Stockton	Citizen and Eagle Resident
Cody Swander	City of Nampa
Kim Warren	City of Meridian, Pathways Project Manager
Mark Wasdahl	ITD Senior Planner, Region 3
Sam Weiger	City of Kuna

1. Call to order and introductions
The meeting was called to order by President Bill Gigray at 3:01 p.m.
2. Approve Agenda
It was moved by Phil Peterson, seconded by Gary Segers to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Administrative Action Items and Officer Reports
 - a. Secretary's Report – Sharon Hubler
 - i. *It was moved by Sharon Hubler, seconded by Phil Peterson to approve the Minutes of July 25, 2018, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.*
 - b. Treasurer's Report – Phil Peterson
 - i. Report on Bank Account shows a balance of \$ 7,265.85 with an expenditure of \$ 5,000.00 made to the Idaho Foundation for Parks and Lands Plantation Island Bridge replacement account.
It was moved by Phil Peterson, seconded by Robert Minch to accept the Treasurer's Report on Bank Account. Motion carried unanimously.
 - ii. Fiscal year-end Form 990 filing. Treasurer Peterson filed an e-postcard "Form 990" to coincide with the fiscal year ended 8.31.18 and received an acknowledgement that it was accepted as filed.
 - c. President's Report – William F. Gigray
 - i. Consider Appointment of William "Bill" Mullane to F.A.C.T.S. board as new director and representative of the city of Garden City. The Honorable John Evans, mayor of city Garden City recommended Bill Mullane to fill Jeanne Barker's vacancy created

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by her resignation after many years of faithful service to F.A.C.T.S. Bill has a home in Garden City along the greenbelt where he lives in the Waterfront District. He serves on the Garden City Parks & Waterways Committee headed by Jenah Thornborrow. He commutes and recreates by bike and feels that it adds to the quality-of-life in our area. He works for TechHelp based at Boise State University and teaches in International Business.

It was moved by Don Stockton, seconded by Gary Payne that William "Bill" Mullane's appointment by the city of Garden City be ratified and that he be elected as director of the Foundation for Ada/Canyon Trail Systems Board. Motion carried.

- ii. Letter Re: Glenwood State Street Intersection Study - in progress and a draft concept report is due out this Friday September 28, according to Mark Wasdahl. Ken Kanownik, Director of Planning for IDAGO 2040 announced a new bicycle/pedestrian director, Cameron Cochems. How to handle two way bike/ped traffic @Glenwood Bridge on each side takes more time and when it's colder with less field work it can be reviewed since the bridge was not originally being reviewed as part of the Glenwood State Street Intersection Study. Amy Revis, ITD District Engineer, Region 3, is involved with the Cloverdale Bridge over I-84.
- iii. Scott Koberg's project – construction components necessitated long-term closure, one of which was another 2-inch overlay on the 4-inch mat that was damaged due to saturation beneath path. The path, sometimes offset by social pathways, should stand the test of time. It is an 11-foot path with 2-foot shoulders on either side. A staging berm graveled area adjacent to Highway 21 was separate from the adjacent property but made it difficult to see E. Warm Springs Avenue and the approach to the future Sue Howell Park, eight acres at the eastern end of Warm Springs Avenue purchased by Aaron Howell to honor his wife Sue situated between Highway 21 and the greenbelt. This area is not within the scope of the project; however, it involves working closely with the Idaho Bird Observatory through BSU and obtaining a license agreement with the Boise Project Board of Control.
- iv. Discussion of need to advocate for pathway maintenance – A.C.H.D. is highly important to the planning efforts from Linder Road on Chinden Blvd. to State Street and the approaches to five bridging structures. Bill Gigray agrees with the importance of getting in within the design phase. Gary Segers will look into and report back on these various approach upgrades. Don Stockton indicated that there is an easement on the north side of the south channel already in place at the Eagle Island State Park providing the confluence of pathway design between Nampa and Meridian and Eagle. Gary Payne will advocate for pathway maintenance and noted the importance of how do people report maintenance issues? Not a whole lot of examples nationwide for this effort to report pot holes, water, downed trees and so forth. With roads A.C.H.D. has an app-using both i-phones and android that allows for location ... where are you? And the ability to send a photo. A.C.H.D. is in the process of rethinking this app. F.A.C.T.S. would like to add to its web site a "Trail Conditions Report" and continue to explore A.C.H.D.'s expanding usefulness of the app. Gary Segers indicated that the A.C.H.D. "Reporter" is not working for android letting the feedback denote jurisdictions. Gary will bring concerns through the Idaho Pedestrian/Bike Alliance headed by Cynthia Gibson. Bill Gigray reiterated

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the maintenance issue as integral to the pathway system, which now services pretty close to 700,000 population in Ada and Canyon Counties.

It was moved by Paul Mann, seconded by Gary Segers, to recommend and encourage Gary Payne to pursue the road maintenance app-for bicycle trails. Motion carried unanimously.

- d. Special Ad Hoc Committee Reports
 - i. Rails with Trails – Paul Mann mentioned a meeting coming up later in October. Rachel Haukkala is the COMPASS liaison to this effort. Steve Siddoway, Meridian, also will likely get more involved.
 - ii. 2009 Boise River Trail Plan Update – Bill will continue follow-up with Matt Stolle.
 - iii. Eagle Island Pathway – infeasible and gave up wetlands route and a proposal in the making to have F.A.C.T.S. as the grantee of the easement. Robert Minch and committee working with Weston Arnell, Mace River Ranch HOA president, the Meier property Family Trust and Don Newman, whose main contact is Lisa Bachman, J-U-B Engineers. J-U-B's assistance has been invaluable and they have an engineering proposal, with project and agency co-ordination meetings, concept plan and cost estimates, surveys and easement legal description, wetland delineation and flood plain evaluation scheduled from October 18, 2018, through March 19, 2019. It will be a phased project, first obtaining the right-of-ways. The project cost estimate is \$ 24,800 paid not upfront but in sequence. The city of Eagle could authorize the F.A.C.T.S. board, if willing, to accept being the grantee and contract with J-U-B Engineers for the proposed cost estimate as agent for the Eagle Island Pathway project. It will be necessary to have a meeting with Eagle's mayor, Stan Ridgeway and for a letter of acceptance from Bill Gigray to get the funding mechanism and routing in order. There are lots of other grant possibilities for a full-fledged project and Chris Pettigrew will be helpful in this effort.
 - iv. ACHD Roadways to Bikeways Plan – scratch this agenda item for now
4. Continuing Business
 - a. Review of 2017 Goals & Projects
 - b. Establish Goals & Projects for 2018
Gary Segers pointed out there were only 10 respondents to the Survey results. Preferably, this discussion can take place at our November/Annual Meeting; and, in preparation, send out suggestions for additions to or refinements of the possible goals and projects for 2018.
5. New Business
 - a. Plantation Bridge Report – Jan Johns, Idaho Foundation for Parks & Lands, gave an update on the Plantation Bridge Replacement and passed around a newsletter. The goal of \$75,000 was raised in five weeks. They have met with Army Corps of Engineers and should go out for bids the end of November, first of December.
6. Reports as Time Permits
 - a. Ada County Highway District – no report
 - b. Ada County Parks & Waterways – previously given
 - c. Boise River Enhancement Network – plans to attend in October
 - d. Caldwell Trails and Pathways Committee – Paul Mann
What paths are available off roads for kids; Indian Creek Festival held September 15: 200 helmets were distributed by W. Valley Medical Center. A webinar on two lane city streets

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that allow for on street parking was useful. Paul suggested inviting Braden Cervetti COMPASS to give F.A.C.T.S. a presentation on this.

- e. Canyon County Parks, Cultural & Natural Resources – 10 years ago the Idaho-Oregon Snake River Water Trail was launched by Tom Bicak, then director, working with National Park Service. Laura Barbour, Outdoor Recreational Planner, wants to revitalize interest in the project seeing an uptick from the economic development standpoint. There were 35 original partners. Now, a steering committee will meet in November. Nicki Schwind is the new director of Celebration Park, which is hosting an Art Exhibit on the Birds of Prey.
- f. City of Boise – no report
- g. City of Garden City – Bill Mullane gave a heads up on the event “Experience Garden City along the Water Front” October 13 featuring Main Street to Coil Winery, Telaya Winery and to the river along 34th street Market. There’s user conflict, crowding, chokepoints at Luciano’s and the Sandbar. Garden City will be meeting with Walla Walla District, USACE, on the distribution of water at the head of Eagle Island. Flood Control District No. 10 is involved on this year’s 48 year flood conditions lasting more than 90 days.
- h. Canyon Highway District No. 4 – no report
- i. City of Eagle Trails & Pathways Department – Steve Noyes
Trails Master Plan two weeks away. FEMA grant on Laguna Pointe Repairs underway with 550 cubic yards moved. Riverwalk Pathway, west of Linder along the north channel will be paved tomorrow. Bald Eagle Point next to it will be paved from Linder to Moon Valley Road in two years. There’s a possibility of having a surf wave in Eagle along with a water trail.
- j. City of Eagle Parks & Pathways Development – report given 3. d iii
- k. City of Kuna – no report
- l. City of Meridian Parks & Pathways – no report
- m. City of Nampa Parks Department – Cody Swander
Close to closing final on Stoddard Pathway
- n. COMPASS – Liisa Itkonen
Passed out 2018 Leadership in Motion Awards nominations and also Communities in Motion 2040 Regional Long-Range Transportation Plan Public Comment Period September 23 – October 21, 2018. Pine is now open east and west.
- o. Idaho Transportation Department – Mark Wasdahl
Brooke Green is working with Star and high school placement design for Highway 16 where it will go from Chinden to I-84. There’s a grade separation at Ustick.
- p. Idaho Department of Parks & Recreation – no report
- q. Idaho-Oregon Snake River Water Trail – Kathy Kershner
Walking path between Kuna and Celebration Park. And working with Idaho Fish & Game at Martin Landing, which is the confluence of the Snake and Boise Rivers.
- r. Other – it should be noted that several people had to leave before giving their reports because the meeting time had run past 5:00 p.m.

7. Adjournment

The F.A.C.T.S. Board Meeting stood adjourned at 5:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Hubler, Secretary

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