

FOUNDATION FOR ADA/CANYON TRAIL SYSTEMS, INC. (F.A.C.T.S.)  
COMPASS Board Room 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 700 N.E. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Meridian, ID 83642  
Called for 3:00 P.M., October 23, 2019

In attendance:

Cecilia Awusie	ITD Hdqts. District 3
Braden Cervetti	COMPASS
Mark Eubank	Boise Citizen and Trails Advocate
Wm. F. "Bill" Gigray	Citizen and FACTS President
Bob Hay	Boise Citizen and Trails Advocate
Tom Helmer	Idaho Dept. of Parks and Recreation
Sharon Hubler	Citizen and FACTS Secretary
Trevor Kesner	City of Boise Parks Department
Paul Mann	Citizen and Caldwell Pathways & Bike Routes Committee
Robert Minch	Citizen and Eagle Parks, Pathways & Recreation Commission
Steve Noyes	City of Eagle Trails and Pathways Department
Gary Payne	Citizen and FACTS Vice President
Phil Peterson	Citizen and FACTS Treasurer
Jeff Shinn	Boise Citizen and Trails Advocate
Gary Segers	Citizen and Trails Advocate
Don Stockton	Eagle Citizen and Trails Advocate
Cody Swander	City of Nampa Parks Department
Sam Weiger	City of Kuna P & Z

1. Call to order and introductions Wm. F. "Bill" Gigray, President  
The meeting was called to order by President Bill Gigray at 3:06 p.m.
2. Approve Agenda (call for additions) Wm. F. "Bill" Gigray, President  
Several items need to be addressed at this meeting: Bill Gigray will report on legislative concerns re: property tax; Gary Segers indicated Cecilia Awusie, ITD, is present to report on the Glenwood/State Street Study. He asked for new items including Idaho Walk Bike Alliance Transportation Policy Conference; Williamson Ranch Bridge and Pathway under Trevor Kesner's report; and, under New Business, to recommend a thank you to COMPASS for its support  
*It was moved by Paul Mann, seconded by Gary Payne to approve the Agenda with additions. Motion carried unanimously.*
3. Administrative Action Items and Officer Reports
  - a. Secretary's Report Sharon Hubler, Secretary
    - i. Minutes of September 25, 2019  
*By consensus Minutes of September 25, 2019 were approved upon motion by Mark Eubank, seconded by Gary Payne. Motion carried unanimously.*  
*It was moved by Gary Payne, seconded by Gary Segers that Mark Eubank draft a letter for distribution by the secretary thanking the 17 sign-ups that occurred during the Boise 50<sup>th</sup> Greenbelt Celebration. Motion carried unanimously.*
  - b. Treasurer's Report Phil Peterson, Treasurer
    - i. Report on Bank Account  
All bills have been paid and expenditures approved on promotional material. The imputed balance after outstanding checks is \$ 6,268.51.  
*It was moved by Gary Payne, seconded by Paul Mann to accept the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried unanimously.*
  - c. President's Report Wm. F. "Bill" Gigray, President
    - i. Letters to Government officials on the Linder Road Concept Study

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Bill drafted a letter to the Caldwell Bike Path Committee on this A.C.H.D. study copies of which have been circulated to F.A.C.T.S. He plans to do a similar follow-up letter to Nampa, Kuna, Meridian, Garden City and Ada County as this represents such an important interconnectivity to routes between Ada and Canyon Counties.

ii. Annual Meeting in November

Bill reminded that Officer and Directors positions along with *ex officio* board positions will be voted on and handled at the November Annual meeting.

iii. Report on legislative concerns re: property tax

A legislative committee has convened to gather and supply information on how much; *i.e.*, what percentage agencies are reliant on revenue provided by property tax. Budget hearings are open to the public. Override levy in place on budget items exceeding 3.0% cap. It's a caveat to 501 (c)(3) organizations in terms of how agency needs might have to be met in the ensuing budget years.

4. Agency Reports

a. Ada County Highway District

pending

The idea is to consider an appointment with Bruce Wong, starting with a letter suggesting a meeting.

*It was moved by Gary Segers, seconded by Gary Payne to start with a letter to A.C.H.D. Motion carried unanimously.*

*It was moved by Paul Mann, seconded by Bob Hay to suggest a meeting with Director Bruce Wong. Motion carried unanimously.*

b. Ada County Parks & Waterways

no report

c. Boise River Enhancement Network

no report

d. Caldwell Pathways & Bike Routes Committee

Paul Mann

Letter from Bill Gigray was received but did not have a quorum for action.

e. Canyon County

no report

f. Canyon Highway District No. 4

no report

g. City of Boise (possible new bridge)

Trevor Kesner

Steve Noyes, Gary Segers, and Don Stockton walked the Waste Water Treatment Plant area, close to the F.A.C.T.S. pathway. Boise Public Works owns all property around the Treatment plant. Bridge would have to span entire wetland area of 266 linear feet. Transportation planners for city place the bridge project as low priority due in part to having no impact fees for that area. City could support but not take lead. Feasibility study dollars would have to come from Boise.

Thanks go to the city of Boise for hosting the 50<sup>th</sup> Year Greenbelt Anniversary. Robert Minch wants to extend the map to include Eagle projects and Island Woods for use in future events. Crossings on the south channel are absolutely necessary according to Steve Noyes. F.A.C.T.S. can help to develop a prioritization on the bridge project.

h. City of Eagle Trails & Pathways

Steve Noyes

39 signs indicating dogs are to be on leash are being installed. FEMA Bank Repairs are underway and 500 feet of concrete pathway starting, which will be the standard for future development. Continued talks with BLM on 1800 Acres north of Eagle for greenbelt connectivity to property. Steve noted that canal pathways would be a big help. Leaving prioritization on Crossing on Hwy 44 and Eagle Road to the city council, which, coincidentally, is fully supportive of the Eagle Island State Park connection. Eagle's A.C.H.D. Bike/Ped plan should be adopted tonight.

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- i. City of Eagle Parks, Pathways & Recreation Commission      Robert Minch  
Nothing further to report
  - j. City of Garden City      no report
  - k. City of Kuna      Sam Weiger, P&Z  
Sam stated that Wendy Howell wanted to mention playground for disabled kids, Zamzow's park of 17 acres coming online.
  - l. City of Meridian Parks & Pathways      no report
  - m. City of Nampa Parks Department      Cody Swander  
Design on Stoddard crossing to Sherman Avenue hoping to go to bid. The bike/ped plan for Nampa has been updated and going to council second meeting. Application going forward on 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue to Sherman.
  - n. City of Star      no report
  - o. COMPASS      Braden Cervetti  
Updating our complete network policy. 2009 Boise River Trail Plan introduced at ACTIVE Transportation Work Group featuring interaction with all modes of transportation.
  - p. Idaho Transportation Department      Cecilia Awusie  
Glenwood/State Street Study did not include Glenwood Bridge. She is now managing all Garden City planning projects including mini-corridor plan stretch of ~1.9 miles stretch from Hwy. 44 to Chinden Blvd. Nothing programmed to make improvements and scope of work presented to Garden City in November, being offered as an ITD service to city of Garden City. 18 month Scope of Work should be approved and ready to go January 2020.
  - q. Idaho Dept. of Parks and Recreation      Tom Helmer  
No updates currently, waiting on non motorized trails program manager
  - r. Other
5. Special Ad Hoc Committee Reports
- i. Rails with Trails      Paul Mann  
Meeting was held October 10<sup>th</sup> showing some segments vary off the Rails. Rachel Haukkala, COMPASS, presented next step strategies in funding. Funding approved that should be considered. Paul Mann reflected on air quality and how it could be reduced by having Rails with Trails. Area air quality is on verge of non attainment. Bill Gigray asked who are customers of the railroad? What kind of mutual benefit exists?
  - ii. 2009 Boise River Trail Plan Update      Gary Segers  
Greenbelt extension Lucky Peak to Snake River exclusively related to greenbelt and will be rolled into Bike/Ped Pathways Network Plan 2015.
  - iii. Eagle Island State Park Connector      Robert Minch/Steve Noyes
  - iv. Public Relations Committee      Mark Eubank, Robert Minch, Jan Johns, Gary Segers and Paul Mann  
Marketing Sub-committee launched brochure at the 50<sup>th</sup> Greenbelt Anniversary booth, developed a map, revived Facebook and hope nothing more on web site issues. Left in large part are fund raising strategies.  
Article I. Fit with mission  
Article II. Co-ordinate with other groups  
Article III. How much fine grain activities; *i.e.*, one-on-one with donors, grant writing, partner with other groups.  
Article IV. Lead sponsor(s)

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Article V. Obtain matching funds

Article VI. Review key projects, which can be put onto map

Article VII. Health care industry benefits and methods to obtain

Article VIII. Build tangible steps / projects in progress

- v. Idaho Oregon Snake River Water Trail no report
- vi. Star Neighborhood Bicycle & Ped Plan no report

6. New Business

- i. Consider appointment of ad hoc committee to meet with the Director of A.C.H.D. to discuss mutual interests and encourage A.C.H.D. participation at F.A.C.T.S. board meetings. Note: See motion/action under 4 a.
- ii. Discussion of Fund Raising Note: See 5.iv. Articles I through VIII

7. Adjournment

The meeting stood adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Hubler, Secretary