

FOUNDATION FOR ADA/CANYON TRAIL SYSTEMS INC. (F.A.C.T.S.)
COMPASS ZOOM CONFERENCE CALL – 700 N.E. 2nd Street, Meridian, ID 83642
Called for 3:00 P.M., September 22, 2021

In attendance:

Alayne Blickle	Advocate and Equestrian Representative
Meg McCarthy	ACHD Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator
Scott Koberg	Ada County Parks & Waterways Director
Mark Eubank	Boise Citizen and Trails Advocate
Wm. "Bill" Gigray	Citizen and FACTS President
Gary Payne	Citizen and FACTS Vice President
Gary Segers	Citizen and ACHD Bicycle Advisory Committee Vice Chair
Sharon Hubler	Citizen and FACTS Secretary
Bob Hay	Boise Citizen and Trails Advocate
Paul Mann	City of Caldwell Pathways and Bike Routes
Braden Cervetti	COMPASS
Steve Noyes	City of Eagle Trails and Pathways Superintendent
Karen Danley	F.A.C.T.S. Equestrian Director (joined 3:56 pm)
Wm. "Bill" Mullane	City of Garden City Representative
Cody Swander	City of Nampa Parks Superintendent
Jennifer Salmonsén	Star City Councilwoman
Mark Wasdahl	ITD, Senior Planner, District 3

1. Call to order and Introductions Wm. F. Gigray III, President
Visual roll call and welcome to FACTS 14th ZOOM meeting at 3:07 pm.
2. Approve Agenda (call for additions) Wm. F. Gigray III, President
No changes were made.
3. Administrative Action Items and Officer Reports
 - a. Secretary's Report Sharon Hubler, Secretary
 - i. Minutes of August 25, 2021
Minutes reflect having Boise Pathways Committee report and 2023 status submitted in advance of September 22nd meeting.
It was moved by Gary Segers, seconded by Karen Danley that the Minutes of August 25, 2021 be approved as submitted. No one dissented remotely. Motion carried.
 - b. Treasurer's Report Phil Peterson, Treasurer
Due to the absence of Phil Peterson no Treasurer's Report was given.
 - c. President's Report Wm. F Gigray III, President
 - i. Canyon County Comprehensive Plan – As noted in a previous communication with Kate Dahl, Development Services Office, there are relevant and transportation and recreation sections utilizing Tom Laws Maps. City of Star is partially located in Canyon County.
 - ii. Eagle Island State Park – Virtual Meeting with Susan Buxton, Director, is scheduled for September 30th at 10:00 am and will include Gary Payne, Steve Noyes, Meg McCarthy, Karen Danley and Bill Gigray. Though Fish Hatchery Road is part of the ACHD jurisdiction it has not risen to significance by city of Eagle. Bill, however, would like clarification if it is prescriptive r-o-w by statute or deed.
 - iii. Reports on Projects (con't) – Corrections or additions will be included as part of progress on any of these projects. Purpose is to organize a little and use for review of strategic planning, vanguard for projects in which FACTS has an interest. Gary Segers mentioned that the Chinden Blvd./Glenwood Study seems to be missing. Note: Cecilia Arritola has indicated she could have a report on same for the FACTS October meeting.

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- iv. How things are going to work with President Bill in California? Bill plans to remain in Irvine CA in the foreseeable future. He would like to serve even if on the board only, no longer holding office. Face-to-face in these times seems more cumbersome. Paul Mann indicated that Bill has a wealth of knowledge and tremendous number of contacts.
- d. Vice President's Report Gary Payne, Vice President
 - i. PayPal Donation – nothing this past month
 - ii. 52nd Street Bridge check back with Idaho Conservation League
Bob Hay and Gary had a conversation with ICL last week to check on its sensitivity given its robust opposition to the expansion of The River Club's golf course onto a Boise River island. They spoke with Marie Kellner, counsel for ICL and Bob Hay felt it was a positive discussion in both directions. Gary Payne understood that land on the other side of the river was public domain and should not accrue to golf course. Marie asked to keep them informed and at this time did not plan to play a potential adversarial role. Indeed, opening up land to the public ICL could support. With the grant from COMPASS the 52nd bridge project awarded to Garden City, FACTS would like to have a representative and Bill Mullane is willing to do this. Local match on the COMPASS grant of ~\$1700 will be necessary to negotiate – either Garden City or FACTS. Not known is the contractual response between Garden City and COMPASS.
- 4. Agency and not for profit reports
 - i. Ada County Highway District – A study along Linder Road and Chinden Blvd. and S.H. 44 is underway to evaluate future roadway widening. This study was adopted by the ACHD Commission on July 24, 2019. Alternative A is Five Lanes to Seven Lanes with Shared Pathway between Hatchery Road to S.H. 44. Another alternative would be Buffered Bike Lanes and Sidewalk between Hatchery Road to S.H. 44. Enacted House Bill 131 amends §40-616 to provide that on sidewalks and side paths outside incorporated city limits on public roads it would allow greater than 8-feet if the commissioners indicate by written order.
This could be a plus for Linder Road. Thanks to Meg McCarthy for keeping a watchful eye for FACTS on Hatchery Road. (sometimes Fish Hatchery Road)
 - ii. City of Nampa Parks Department – Cody Swander reported that alongside the Planning & Zoning Department they are taking a look at Impact Fees for the city without knowing the intricacies as yet. Finances drive park projects and an Impact Fee Advisory Committee must reference that most pathway growth is development driven as in Easement acquisition and design. This creates a patchwork of small improvements. Stoddard Ave. East Iowa extension faces a rush to get it completed by the end of the construction season. Cody would like to know how recipients are chosen for dollars to be provided in the Federal Infrastructure Bill. Suggest contacting Chuck Winder – Cody would like to know how much to Idaho and how it is apportioned ...if it is broken down by population.
 - iii. ITD District 3 – Mark Wasdahl has been the Project Manager on the Highway 55 environmental clearance project. Final design and Right-of-Way plans from "Farmway to Middleton Road" is scheduled for December 2022. A city of Caldwell tunnel under Highway 55 is made more difficult by the historic designation of Seventh-day Adventist properties. Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) has a deadline of 12/17/21 and Mark followed up with application and directions to meet that deadline. One such project is the Deer Flat Reserve.

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- iv. City of Caldwell – Paul Mann – Indian Creek Festival unfortunately cancelled the bicycle booth. Braden had worked on a map that showed the Ada/Canyon county nexus. Mark Eubank said that he had a Zoom meeting with Braden to get a poster of this map. In the springtime Mark and committee will set up booths in more places than just the greenbelt such as festivals and so forth. Also, there's a need for more people power to staff the booth.
- v. A.C.H.D. Bicycle Advisory Committee – Gary Segers – Two-year terms. Gary visited city of Eagle's pathway committee 9/16. Currently, no representative from Eagle has been allocated seats on the Bicycle Advisory Committee. Gary said nothing now but new members coming on pretty soon.
- vi. City of Eagle – Steve Noyes – Easements on EISP were finished yesterday and it took 93 pages for .7 miles of pathway. He will be contacting Aaron Newman. Canal agreements still in Legal Dept. He had a Zoom meeting with city of Kuna's Jace Hellman and Bob Withrow on behalf of the community's interest in how things are getting done on canal trails. It's an exciting time for pathways and trails. Steve has 17.4 miles currently in trail development in Eagle, 95.0% of which ties in with new housing development.
- vii. ITD – Mark Wasdahl – Safety and Capacity program. Clarity and definition of GARVEE federal funds with Bonding office TECM. City of Middleton has decided to delete by-pass route in favor of immediate development and requested ITD to find something else.
Upcoming meetings with FHWA team on how to programmatically work forward on NEPA process. 10-foot pathway on Hwy. 44 requires environmental to clear for construction.
- viii. FACTS Equestrian – Karen Danley – Idaho Horse Council has written a letter of intent to provide insurance for the equestrian skills trail in EISP. ACHD Commissioners elected November 3, 2020 were for Districts I, II & V. Election November 8, 2022 will be for Districts III, IV and VI.
Addendum: Scott Koberg provided a report since he has a regular meeting conflict with FACTS. He had received a request to provide an update on the status of the EXPO Idaho committee recommendations and process. All the info you need to know can be found here:
<https://gis.adacounty.id.gov/arcgis/apps/storymaps/stories/f014644b0a1a4e8da4991ac232830ba6/>
Also, a quick update that Ada County has decided to plan for using American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding for Greenbelt Pathway Improvements to the Judy Peavey-Derr (a/k/a FACTS, a/k/a Sunroc) segment. This would result in a more robust concrete pathway connection rather than an asphalt cut and path repair.

Adjournment: The meeting stood adjourned at 4:59 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Hubler, Secretary

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