



The **F**oundation for **A**da / **C**anyon **T**rail **S**ystems

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January 26, 2022 at 3:00 P.M.

Meeting Minutes

Members Present

FACTS Board Members

Boise

- Karen Danley Boise: Secretary, FACTS Equestrian Director, Boise Pathways Plan
- Mark Eubank Boise Trails Advocate
- Bob Hay Boise Citizen and Trails Advocate
- Gary Payne Boise Citizen and Trails Advocate

Caldwell

- Paul Mann Caldwell: City of Caldwell Pathways and Bike Routes

Eagle

- Robert Minch Eagle: City of Eagle Parks, Pathways and Recreation Commission

Garden City

- Wm. "Bill" Mullane Garden City
- Gary Segers Garden City: ACHD Bicycle Advisory Committee

Nampa

- Wm. "Bill" Gigray President
- Phil Peterson Treasurer

Ex-Officio Members

- Meg McCarthy ACHD Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator
- Braden Cervetti COMPASS
- Steve Noyes City of Eagle Trails and Pathways Superintendent
- Jennifer Salmonsens Star City Council
- Mark Wasdahl ITD Senior Planner, District 3
- Cecilia Arritola ITD Sr. Transportation Planner
- Tom Helmer Idaho Department of Parks Non-motorized Trails Manager
- Kim Warren City of Meridian Project Manager, Pathways
- Juli McCoy Canyon County Parks, Cultural & Natural Resources/Outdoor Rec. Planner
- Colin Schmidt City of Garden City Public Works Director
- Trevor Kesner City of Boise Parks Planning Administrator
- Tim Richard Canyon Highway District No. 4

Call to Order

Wm. F. "Bill" Gigray, President

Agenda

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Agenda Changes

Trevor Kesner after Presidents Report

Add Cecilia Arritola to ITD/Glenwood Corridor Study Report with Gary Segers

Add Paul Mann, City of Caldwell

Motion: 1st: Gary Segers 2nd: Bob Hay All approve

Officer Reports

Secretary's Report

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Karen Danley

Motion: 1st: Gary Payne 2nd Gary Segers All approve

Treasurer's Report

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Phil Peterson, Treasurer

Motion: 1st: Phil Peterson 2nd Bob Hay All approved

President's Report

Wm. F. "Bill" Gigray

New Format Discussion

Agenda Planning Changes

1. Submit agenda suggestions by the 13th of each month to Karen Danley.
2. Agency reports will be changed to before the officer's report.

Additional Board Members Approved

Ex-Officio Board: Board Approves Ex-Officio Members

Kim Warren: City of Meridian Project Manager, Pathways

Jace Hellman: Planning and Zoning Director of the City of Kuna

Alayne Blickle: Canyon County Equestrian

Tim Richard, P.E. Director of Canyon Highway District No. 4

Motion to approve ex-officio members: 1st Paul Mann 2nd Wm. Gigray All approve

Additional Motion

Trevor Kesner: City of Boise

Motion to approve Trevor Kesner: 1st: Wm. Gigray 2nd: Karen Danley All approve

Trevor Kesner

1. Boise Parks Superintendent: Jennifer Thomlinsen has stepped down and Sara Arkle is the new Boise Parks Superintendent.
2. Boise Master Pathway Plan will be presented to the Boise City Council Meeting on February 1. Boise Pathways Plan URL

<https://www.cityofboise.org/departments/planning-and-development-services/planning-and-zoning/comprehensive-planning/boise-pathways-plan/>

Questions/Comments

A. Bob Hay: Is there an agreement with the canal companies? No

Gary Segers moves a motion to write a letter of support of the Boise Pathways Plan to Boise City Council as soon as possible. 2nd: Karen Danley All approve

Vice President's Report

Gary Segers

1. Introduced Book: Pathway of Dreams: Building the Boise Greenbelt: David Proctor
2. Gay Hammer: Boise Greenbelt Advocate She passed away December, 2021. Gary honored Gay and her work.

Project Reports/Updates

ITD/Glenwood Corridor Study: Cecilia Arritola

1. **ITD/Glenwood Corridor Study is now in the modeling phase.**

2. **Timeline**

February 10: Final Data Collected

March, 2022 Environmental Analysis

April-June: Public Input: Opportunity for FACTS

September: Final Draft

October: Presentation to Garden City Council and ITD approval.

3. **Glenwood Corridor is the 1.8 miles between Chinden to State Street.**

Discussion included

1. Wider Road
2. Bridge approaches and pedestrian/bicycle safety
3. Development of future growth and development of fairgrounds.
4. Specifically NW bridge approach pedestrian/bicycle safety
 - a. Highly used
 - b. One Boise school quadrant
 - c. Space between the guardrail and traffic is too narrow. Can the guardrail be moved back to provide more space for bike/ped traffic?
5. Monthly Updates to ITD plan on-line.
6. FACTS will provide input during April/June.

Middleton Railroad Bridge: Wm. F. "Bill" Gigray and Tim Richard

1. It is in the 20 year plan to be widened to four lanes.
2. Possible funding for pedestrian/ bicycle paths.
3. The bridge over the Boise River is a significant north/south corridor to connect Middleton, Nampa, and Caldwell pathways and even onto Star and Eagle.
4. Timeline: Possibly in 15-20 years. It may depend on local development.
5. Middleton has a proposal to connect Middleton north of Hwy 44 along the section line.
6. Middleton, Caldwell, and Canyon Highway District have adopted a long term corridor plan that includes widening Middleton Road to five lanes from Hwy 44 south to Ustick which is approximately 4.5 miles. This corridor does include 10 ft. separated paved pathways.
7. Greenbelt pathways in Middleton are the jurisdiction of Middleton and need to be addressed by a Middleton representative.

8. Tim O'Meara: He sent the following update: "The GMPRD (Greater Middleton Parks and Recreation Department) has an application in with the BLM to acquire 1000 acres of land with the intention of adding several amenities including equestrian trails." The FACTS board would like to know how we can offer support.
9. Wm. F. "Bill" Gigray asked Karen Danley to contact Tim O'Meara to see if he can attend the February 23 meeting.
10. Gary Segers asked Jennifer Salmonsens if the City of Star has had conversations with Middleton focusing on pathway systems. No conversations yet, however, it is a goal for the future. Jennifer reported the Star Master Pathway Plan will be up for Star city council approval in February. Gary Segers confirmed FACTS would like to facilitate Star/Middleton pathway connections.
11. Jennifer offered to present the Star Master Pathway Plan to FACTS once it is adopted.

Canal Pathway Agreements for cities using Eagle model: Steve Noyes

1. Recorded agreement with Middleton Mill Canal Company.
2. Pending agreements with Drainage District 2 and New Dry Creek Ditch Company.
3. Emphasis on future connections between Eagle, Star, and Middleton.

Eagle Island State Park (Robert Minch, Karen Danley, & Steve Noyes)

1. Wm. F. "Bill" Gigray will schedule a meeting with Susan Buxton, ISPR.

52nd Street Bridge Project (Bill Mullane, Gary Payne & COMPASS)

1. Gary Payne Report
 - a. December 21, 2021: Meeting via conference call with JUB, Compass, Garden City, Bill Mulane, and Gary Payne. Result: FACTS to receive a copy of the engineering deliverables. Another conference call to occur between February 8-15 with the same entities.
 - b. A few property owners near, but not adjacent to the river, are open to pathway easement.
2. Don Stockton: Don suggested FACTS meet with property owner to negotiate. Potential financial savings as it would avoid a bridge to the island.
3. Karen read Bill Mulane's written report.

Bill Mullane met with [Jenah Thornborrow](#) and the Garden City Parks & Waterways Committee this week and has the following updates:

- 52nd Street Bridge to Plantation Island - The project is moving along. Addie Coffelt, Planner with JUB will host a kickoff meeting for the 52nd Street Bridge team in early February. Jenah of Garden City had a brief meeting with COMPASS and JUB this

week to discuss the schedule prior to the kickoff meeting and the changes to the project team. Jenah mentioned that Destinie is no longer with COMPASS.

- GC Mobility Master Plan - The P&W Committee reviewed Garden City's Mobility Master Plan that identifies Transportation Needs and Future Improvements. Bill Mullane will summarize and present the data at the February FACTS meeting. The plan is quite comprehensive and identifies many needs and improvements including better access to the NW side of Glenwood bridge that Karen Danley recently brought to our attention.

Jenah noted that there are two Garden City properties near the 52nd street/Green Belt intersection that may develop. (see image below) One is in the entitlement process and another is expected to come in soon. The development of these properties presents an opportunity to create an alternate pathway connection from the GB at 52nd street to the GB near Remington. Securing an easement would not create a full connection but would get us closer to a solution. It is not the ideal solution either as it still includes a minor detour and interaction with vehicles.

- Developers of the subdivision are opposed to a full GB public connection but are amenable to a neighborhood connection. Garden City will attempt to use its leverage to secure a full GB connection. FACTS (Bill Mullane) will consider contacting the developers to explain the benefits of providing full GB public access and to generate support for the Bridge as well.

Jena suggests that efforts for the new bridge should continue so we shall continue.



- 4. Gary Segers, with the help of Braden Cervetti, showed the new proposed pathway on Google Earth.

FLAP Grants: Paul Mann

1. Caldwell Bicycle Committee Meeting: 7.3% of local funding match is no longer a requirement. FLAP Grants are a two year cycle. Caldwell will likely pursue a FLAP grant in the next cycle. Lake Lowell bicycle plan may be impacted by the Highway 55 plan. Caldwell is working with the Gem State Academy who are not opposed to a pathway between Montana and 10th street on the west side of the academy. This may include a tunnel.

Hwy. 55 Crossing: Tim Richard

1. Tim Richards: City Engineer is seeking approval for ped/bike paths along Hwy. 55 because it is possible ITD may include the pathways in the Hwy 55 widening project.
2. Approximately 4.5 miles of Indiana Street is scheduled for improved construction in 2024 with 4 ft fog coated paved shoulders.

Old Highway 30/Summit Street Bridge Project: Tim Richard

1. Current bridge will remain as part of the Caldwell Greenbelt for pedestrians and bicycles. The new two lane bridge proposed location is north of the current bridge. It is a federal aid project which includes a NEPA. The project was in coordination with local tribes. The project also included an ethnographic study for the Shoshone-Bannock tribes. Next stage includes a final environmental design process. Construction is planned to begin in 2024. Next step is financing the construction project. FACTS can help by supporting funding for the project.

Information Booth: Mark Eubanks

1. Will continue with information booths in March barring COVID restraints.

VELO Bike: Mark Eubanks

1. Mark proposes we discuss them in the next meeting.

Paul Mann: Caldwell

1. Jerome Mapp is sending a Caldwell delegate to the next FACTS meeting.

Federal Aid Funds

1. Tim Richards suggests we invite Toni Tisdale of COMPASS to report on Federal Aid Funds. Braden Cervetti will connect us with Toni.

Google Earth Maps

1. Thank you Braden Cervetti for displaying Google Earth as we tour the roads and pathways of Ada/Canyon Counties. It is extremely helpful.