

Foundation for Ada/Canyon Trail Systems (F.A.C.T.S.)

Minutes of January 24, 2024

Meeting called for 3:00 PM

In attendance:

Officers: Bill Gigray, President; Bill Mullane, Vice President, Sharon Hubler, Secretary

Directors: Paul Mann, Gary Segers, Bob Hay, Robert Minch, Mark Eubank and Gary Payne

Agency "ex officio": Meg McCarthy, ACHD; Alexa Roitman, COMPASS; Steve Noyes, city of Eagle Pathways (ret'd), living in McCall (208-761-9580); Karen Silbernagel, Equestrian; Chris Colson, Executive Director, Land Trust of the Treasure Valley

Call to Order

President Bill Gigray

Meeting called to order at 3:05 PM.

Approve Agenda – Move to Approve, Additions/Reorder

It was moved to approve the Agenda by Bob Hay, seconded by Paul Mann. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Officers' Reports

1. Secretary's Report – Minutes of November 2023 – Move to Approve or Correct
It was moved to table Minutes of November 29, 2023 until the February FACTS Meeting by Sharon Hubler, seconded by Gary Payne. All voted in favor. Motion carried. Note: Bill G. explained the transition due to Karen's retirement.

2. Treasurer's Report – As of December 31, 2023 – Move to Accept; no report presented at Meeting but subsequent communication indicated a balance of \$9015.09 at D.L. Evans Bank due to end-of-year donations. Acceptance of Treasurer's Report tabled.

It was moved to table Treasurer's Report as of December 31, 2023 until February FACTS meeting by Gary Payne, seconded by Paul Mann. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Treasurer Phil Peterson

3. President's Report – Bill Gigray – Bill traveled out of country from 12/23/23 to 01/15/24 so he's catching up on emails and other FACTS business.

a) Goals for 2024 – Gary Segers does not think that the ZOOM format is adequate for this discussion and would think therefore that having a specific month to make a presentation going forward would work better.

b) Linder Road Overpass and 14-foot Sidewalk – Meg McCarthy checked on this project and the 14-foot Sidewalk is not in the preliminaries, which describe 10.5 foot as realistic. ACHD would not pay for additional bridge decking and believes the 10.5 foot as 95.0% committal. Steve Noyes who worked with just such a project on the Eagle Road crossing says it's much more complicated than the difference cantilevering the additional 10.5 foot to 14-foot. It would change load requirements as well on the deck. Lots of bridge overpasses including Cloverdale with a 5 or 7 foot raised sidewalk. Five Mile just started design this year with pathways on both sides. Emerald Overpass had its kick-off meeting, shoulder space depending on wings. Meg helps FACTS monitor these projects across I-84.

c) Plat Conditions vs. HOAs (Discussion follows under New Business) – maintenance is an issue depending on what kind of approvals were contingent on the HOAs.

4. Vice President's Report – Bill Mullane

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- a) Letter to Garden City on Design Stage supporting its \$20k match on Second Street along with \$10k match by Treasure Valley Clean Cities Coalition.
 - b) 52nd Street Bridge – access points for Southeast Garden City (Gary Segers has also been looking at necessary easements) 52nd Street project is progressing now moving into the design phase.
 - c) Letter addressed to Jenah Thornborrow 1/16/2024, signed by Bill Mullane, in support of west side multi-use pathway between the Glenwood Bridge heading north where it hits dirt at Riverside Drive. All ITD players involved, which requires Garden City's \$90k match. Discussion on which domain is involved via easement – ACHD or ITD? Answer is that approach up to Glenwood/River crossing going south on west side is ITD's domain. Bob Hay, Gary Payne and Gary Segers have met with Region 3, ITD. Gary S. noted that there is a huge amount of r-o-w to meld with design on bridge itself. Bob Hay sees the need being more access. Gary Payne noted that on the east side pedestrian needs can accompany the resurfacing and restriping coming up this summer (2024). It may be somewhat trivial but the merge into the left lane needs corrective action. Gary Segers will set follow-up meeting.
5. Agency and Nonprofit reports:
- ° ACHD Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator Meg McCarthy – Survey comments due by February 1st on Linden Street from Broadway to Boise Avenue on bike/ped improvements. Go to web site www.engage.achdidaho.org In-person meeting at Timberline School tomorrow, January 25th. Mark Eubank asked about stretch of land from Broadway to Grove Street, near Dona Larsen Park as it seems to be getting more circuitous. Meg suggested contacting Dane Hoskins, Pathways Program Manager for city of Boise.
 - ° City of Caldwell Parks & Recreation Commission Paul Mann – Opportunity to respond to Survey being undertaken by Caldwell Parks & Recreation for a new Master Plan due by the middle of February. <https://bit.ly/CaldwellParksSurvey> On an individual basis it may be possible to suggest that the new plan assimilate, not discard the City of Caldwell Bicycle/Pedestrian 2040 Master Plan, adopted 4/3/2017. The ITD Tunnel running under Hwy. 55 is nearing completion on its planning. Robb McDonald, city of Caldwell Engineer, describes it as 200 feet in length, 14 feet in width and 10 feet in height. Paul was asked if he could obtain plans from Robb. This will provide connectivity to Lake Lowell and its environs. Bill G. reminded the group that the new bridge on the north side of Caldwell to replace the old silver bridge will need to have adequate elevation to get to Plymouth Street. Paul has continued to be in touch with New Albany, IN on the subject of buffered bike lanes as another resource in planning. New Albany converted one-way streets, back to two lanes and provided the necessary buffers. Bill G. reminded the group there is a clarification of roads, A B C or D and that the service level can be affected by change. Bill works with several highway districts. Canyon County has four highway districts, city of Boise and Ada County have only one, ACHD.

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° City of Eagle Parks, Pathways and Recreation Robert Minch – There's a new mayor of Eagle, Brad Pike and both Robert and Steve Noyes would like to reconnect with him. It seems possible that the Parks, Pathways and Recreation Commission could be re-established and continue its heavy involvement in subdivision reviews. Regarding Eagle Island State Park there's a pre-application meeting with Newman family members regarding their property. On a voluntary basis Steve would like to follow the process as he is quite familiar with the area. FEMA flood maps drastically changed, enough to eliminate the 100 foot+ bridge. However, the alignment is still up in the air. Before setting a meeting with the Mayor Robert and Steve would like FACTS blessing. Bill G.'s observation was that it should be sooner than later. Gary Payne observed that resources tend to get divided up by prolonging the process.

It was moved that Robert that he and Steve set up a meeting with city of Eagle's new mayor, Brad Pike and that an Agenda be drawn up, seconded by Gary Payne. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

° COMPASS Alexa Roitman – COMPASS Series 101 is kicking off to take a deep look at projects right now, update to TAP and high capacity transit in the area scheduled for January 31 to February 6. Data Bike report should be finished Feb./March for member agencies detailing the 78 miles of bikepath by Tori Cale, Bikepath Counter Technician (208-475-2267), which will be distributed to Member agencies and ACTIVE Transportation Work Group. Each pathway Segment gets a graded report on roughest, smoothest and so forth. The Three-Cities Segment built by FACTS should be on the list as well. The question is

what

does FACTS do with the report once it's out? COMPASS is preparing for 2055 Communities in Motion that will discuss unfunded priority pathways with jurisdictional alignment. Meanwhile, COMPASS is also doing an Educational Series on the Housing Market. Bob Hay asked about the Low Carbon Reduction Plan for municipalities, Phase II, recently submitted. Alexa suggested a good COMPASS contact is Toni Tisdale. COMPASS does facilitate federal grants. Gary S. will be interested in and is waiting on the Data Bike results for

September

on the Glenwood Bridge.

° Land Trust of the Treasure Valley Chris Colson – a big thank you to Chris for his Contribution to the permitting process as a biologist for Ducks Unlimited when he worked "pro bono" with Don Stockton on the Three Cities Pathway. LTTV's service area includes Adams County, eastern Oregon and northern Nevada but mainly land conservation at the lower elevation in Ada and Canyon Counties. LTTV shows what's under its jurisdiction, both conservation easement and Deeded ownership on its website. Right now the focus is r-o-w work on the the foothills and upriver to Eagle Island State Park. <https://www.lttv.org/wherework>

New Business

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Closure of Bicycle, Pedestrian, electric bikes and golf carts on private Lot 99 which provides access to the north side of the Boise River and what is known as Bridge #1 on Plantation Island

Gary Segers has organized a committee of six persons who have met twice. The committee includes Tim Breuer, Tricia Nilsson and Joyce Johnson who are plat experts and know how to get public record information. By a methodical plan of action and public information request they want to solve the problem before litigation. They are going over Garden City's Planning and Zoning Commission records pertinent to the Homowners Association.

The meeting stood adjourned at 4:53 PM. Next meeting is scheduled for February 28, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Hubler, Secretary