

**Meeting Minutes of the City of Livingston Planning Board
Feb. 16, 2022**

Roll Call: Johnathan Hettinger, Mike Petry, Shannon Holmes, Torrey Lyons, Taya Cromley, Jessica Wilcox, Mija Hamilton, Jim Barrett, Stacy Jovick

Public: Martha O'Rourke, Don Kostelec

Meeting start: 5:32

Stacy Jovick moves to approve minutes, second by Taya Cromley

Motion passes unanimously.

Mathieu Menard introduces Don Kostelec (Trails and Active Transportation Plan Contractor, Vitruvian Planning) and Martha O'Rourke (City of Livingston)

Kostelec: Introduces Trails and Active Transportation Plan. Gives background of how plan came to be. Shows a PowerPoint of the plan. Accessibility is important consideration of plan, including weather. Good tool for incorporating projects in city plans, getting money for AT priorities. Physical activity and getting around by foot is important because ¼ of residents do not drive. Sidewalks need maintenance, cleaned after snow and even in spring. Online story map is now live. City can link to in future to be more digestible version of plan findings. Presents trail map, says new trails often do not have city easements. Recommends adopting trails plan by reference as part of zoning code.

Jovick asks if you can still give input on trail alignment.

Kostelec says it's more of an idea than a specific route. Routes can still be changed and adapted.

Jovick asks if this is dream map?

Kostelec says that is a good way to put it.

Jovick asks about trail on other side of river, across from Golf Course.

Kostelec says it is a rough idea. Asks about city easement.

Menard says city has an easement and trail would be along edge of riparian area.

Jovick suggests adding street names.

Holmes says he thinks trail would be an extension of Meyers River Trail.

Cromley asks about how impacts to riparian area are considered.

Kostelec says that is a community discussion.

Wilcox asks about adopting map.

Kostelec says it can be adopted, and then changed. He recommends that the city maintain flexibility.

Barrett asks about process for getting it adopted by reference.

Menard says the plan needs to be adopted. Then do a zoning text amendment through the Zoning Commission. That usually takes 3-4 months.

Holmes asks if Yellowstone River PER is included.

Kostelec says it is included somewhere, but not sure. He thinks it may have been left out because it's already being addressed by city and county.

Holmes says he has concerns about this map getting people to use trail next to Water Reclamation Facility.

Kostelec says it's an idea, not saying it currently exists.

Jovick says this makes it seem like it is real.

Kostelec says this is an idea and these are proposed trails.

Kostelec says this is first of two meetings. He would like input in the next few weeks. He plans to do more outreach in coming weeks, once the weblink for the story map is live.

Holmes lists accomplishments so far. It is a long list, including many upgrades and accessibility accomplishments.

Jovick asks about sidewalks.

Menard and Holmes say it is required, but not always followed up on.

Lyons asks who is stewarding it forward.

Kostelec says city public works is very excited. City boards are important. PCEC and ATC are important.

Holmes says city is getting pulled in many different directions. But he will work to steward it.

Public Works Update: City working on several sewer projects. Submitted comments on Starbucks. Meeting with Fed Ex. Met with Tri-Tip and Eagle Landing developers.

Planning Update: Working on zoning many recently annexed lots. Rumors of new subdivisions. Menard is leaving for a new job.

Next Meeting is March 16.

Meeting is adjourned at 7:10 p.m.