

## **City of Livingston, City Parks and Trails Committee Draft Minutes**

### **February 26, 2020**

The regular meeting of the PTC scheduled for Wednesday, February 26, 2020 at City County Building in the Community Room. Jeanne Marie Souvigney, Chair will facilitate this meeting.

Members Present - Jeanne Marie Souvigney, Connor Cavigli, Sarah Stands, Rachael Jones, Carol Goosey, Alison Shannon-Lier, Shelly Prasek

Community Members Present - Gavin Clark, Ron Pannesi and Doc Watson

### **Approval of Minutes**

Committee to review and approve January 22, 2020 Minutes - minor changes made by Jeanne related to leads on priorities (Goosey moves, Jones second, unanimous vote) and Minutes from work session on February 12, 2020 (moved to approve by Jones, second by Shelly).

### **Old Business**

- Update from Gavin Clark, Doc Watson and Ron Pannesi on disc golf course in Livingston
  - Clark did get approval from Shannon Holmes to look into Meyers River Trail and Fleshman Creek Trail
  - Clark, Pannesi and Watson agree that Fleshman Creek Trail would be a good place to start for a year round course
  - Holmes recommended a trial base course first to get buy in from the local community
  - PTC asks where would the players park? Clark shares it would be a similar set up to how to people park for baseball game, at the trail head, by the playground and along community streets, no more than 36 players at most at a time because of the size of the course.
  - PTC asks for explanation of the goal of the course - Pannesi shares it would be small range, easier, family friendly
  - Goosey recommends contacting schools for PE education in the schools in town
  - Stands is curious about the male/female ratio and public presence in Park County area, Pannesi reviews that it is closer to 50/50 in Montana for M/F ratio due to the nature of our community and most people living here take part in outdoor recreational activities year round. There is a fast growing community in Park County.
  - Jones brings up concerns of rattlesnakes at Fleshman Creek/Bozeman Connector Trail, Doc recommends signage for people to be aware and Pannesi mentions that as a disc golf player the community is usually slow moving and aware of their

surroundings compared to maybe a mountain biker who can come upon a wild animal and surprise it.

- Prasek brings up concerns of mowing, Pannesi shares it will most likely be a rustic set up and trails set up via foot track
- Stands concerns of environmental impact and wildlife impact, Jones brings up there are a lot of ground birds, Watson and Pannesi both mention that again it will be slow traffic, foot traffic only, minimal change to the area except for a few extra trails and pads for throwing area.
- Souvigney recommends reviewing 'Change of Use' form and recommend talking to the neighbors to the property, Clark agrees to follow up with this
- Jones asks if this is the ideal location for a disc golf course, Watson mentions Meyers River would be more ideal however it would take more money to prep the area
- Stands asks about funding, Clark says a temporary set up for this summer would be provided by the disc golf community and once approved permanent, funding would be through sponsorship, approximately \$1,000 per hole
- Stands asks if anyone has adopted the Bozeman Connector trail? Souvigney clarifies that no one has, Pannesi without hesitations says the PDGA would love to adopt the trail
- Souvigney requests that Clark, Watson and Pannesi follow up with PTC with more info and feedback for March 25, 2020 meeting
- Pannesi shares that there is a tournament March 28, 2020 at Livingston, MT golf course with over 60 people participating in a wide range of ages
- Finalize and vote on Growth Policy Recommendations
  - Stands mentions pursuing private land use for multi use space; prioritize and acquire more access along the river,
  - Shannon-Lier makes recommendations related to adding in maps to our recommendations, awareness of animal migration patterns, safety for ground water and water ways as well as animals
  - Jones recommends inviting Shannon Holmes to attend our next meeting if he has any questions
- Confirm leads on priorities for 2020
  - Cavigli shares update on Meyers Landing, initial meeting yesterday, discussed fenced in dog park, rodeo space, follow up meeting in a couple months, may have a community meeting asking for requests/thoughts on different ideas for updates for the park
  - Cavigli shares next steps on continuing Bozeman Trail Connector, followed up with Grabow about future funding, and will follow up with Park County planners on what the trail making process looks like

- Stands reports downtown fundraising on improving parking and bike trail has been completing and Grabow is moving forward with consultant, consultant will do walk through of town this spring
- Stands -update on Bandshell , previously project was being led by Kathryn Borneman this past fall, plans to follow up with Borneman regarding funding and previous movement as well as where PTC can help move forward with the project
- Stands followed up with HRDC trail potential which in the 1990's was not clarified, but HRDC is open to trail placement, Prasek will continue communication with HRDC
- Stands will follow up with Cardose regarding cross walk and DOT response at Veterans bridge
- Stands has upcoming meeting with individuals interested in creating pump track and trail development
- Prasek reports there is an 11 acre space being sold at northside of town which includes the Summit Trail, Souvigney shares it is unclear if there is a legal easement, Prasek will look into easement
- Souvigney met with the Developer for the north town regarding trails and green space, he is open to the idea and would like to continue communication
- Social Media -Jones recommends guidelines, Shannon-Lier to share research behind posts, Adopt a trail posts to come out for March and April
- Tennis Courts - Jones curious if the Tennis Association will assist in maintenance and funding
- Ball fields - Souvigney shares that the Ball association to meet with the high school and city last week, as of right now there hasn't been an update
- Bridge across Yellowstone will be included in Mayors Landing changes
- PTC team updates on history of trails - Cardose recommends looking at history of trails first, Goosey is going to take lead on history of the trails and work with the staff at the Museum, Committee will share the info they learn with Goosey who will consolidate.

### **Further Committee Member Comments**

- Next meeting will include continued updates from priorities/projects
- Update from Clark on disc golf course progress and proposal

### **Public Comments**

- N/A

### **Adjourn meeting**

Jones moves to adjourn, Goosey seconds, unanimous vote of Committee