

City of Livingston Parks & Trails Committee Draft Minutes

April 8, 2021 Special Meeting

The Parks & Trails Committee met in a special meeting on April 8 in the Community Room of the City County Building.

Attendees: Jeanne Souvigney, Sarah Stands, Clay Bolt, Rachael Jones, Connor Cavigli
Souvigney provided a couple updates:

- The P&TC will be involved with the flagpole conversation and will invite the public to give us their input during the next regular meeting.
- Tom Richardson, Property Director for the Girl Scouts of Montana and Wyoming, is interested in discussing allowing people to use a trail corridor along Fleshman Creek towards M Street (travelling back again). He's also interested in partnering with the City on a fence along the wooded area behind the roping arena. We will be putting this on the agenda in a future meeting.

Prioritization Conversation

- Alison will take the lead on the Sports Park Outreach
- Clay & Sarah will consolidate flagpole feedback from next meeting
- Alison and Rachael will be involved with Reservoir Park
- Jeanne, Sarah, Connor, and Clay to be involved with signage and branding
- Sarah, Jeanne, Connor, and Clay to be involved with Mayor's Landing
- Rachael and Sarah to take lead on growth policy
- Jeanne and Sarah will take lead on Trails & AT plan
- Jeanne will take Adopt a Trail oversight
- Clay will take a lead on the lagoon dredging and restoration
- Connor will take lead on the wellness center/parks maintenance district
- Carol can take lead on tennis court resurfacing
- All hands on deck on the parks master plan improvements
- Clay will take lead on weeds and pollinators with Sarah and Rachael supporting
- Alison & Sarah to take lead on partnering with the tree board
- Sarah and Jeanne to work on cooperating with county parks and fairground board
- Connor to take lead on the fundraising opportunities
- Connor to lead development and implement media strategy
- Jeanne will lead Girl Scout fencing project
- Sarah and Connor will lead fairy village efforts
- Sarah to lead bike track efforts up at Harvat's Flats
- Jeanne and Sarah will work on the pedestrian bridge
- Jeanne will remain the contact on the paving of Alpenglow
- Rachael is currently working on the woodlot restoration
- Rachael initiated contact on the proposed trailer at the skate park

Sarah motioned to approve those priorities, and Jeanne will incorporate into a new priorities chart, Alison seconded

- *Approved unanimously*

Pollinator Conversation

- No Mow May proposal
 - Provide signs for the community to place in public spaces that people can pick up, and send PDFs to allow people to print signs supporting No Mow May
 - Discussed social media outreach
 - Encourage local business support with signs
 - Encourage neighbors of parks to show support
- Suggestions from Lisa Lowy were to focus on areas in the city so it's not a blanket 'no mow'
 - Sacajawea and Miles Park were two suggestions

We are proposing a 'no mow' May program where the city does not mow Sacajawea or Miles park and potentially other areas and encourages the public not to mow their own private yards and spaces as well. We also request \$250 for signage for the city and public spaces.

- *Sarah motions to approve this, Clay seconds*
- *Approved unanimously*

Rachael, Sarah, and Clay will be on subcommittee to develop the full description of what we want the city to do.

- Clay will draft up proposal by end of the week

Meeting adjourned.