City of Livingston, City Parks and Trails Committee Agenda

October 28, 2020

The regular meeting of the Livingston Parks & Trails Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, October 28, 2020 at 6 pm. This meeting will be available via Zoom video conferencing. Jeanne-Marie Souvigney, Chair, will facilitate this meeting.

To join the Zoom video meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89401530873?pwd=UXNmTFBQSVBsTTd5SVc0dkZsRWhJZz09 Or call-in: 1 (669) 900 9128 US

1) Roll Call

2) Agenda Review

3) Approval of Minutes

Committee to review and approve September 23 regular meeting, October 8 work session and October 17 field visit minutes.

4) Old Business

- Action item: Adopt <u>Policy for Naming Livingston Parks</u>, <u>Trails and Recreation Facilities</u>
 10 mins
- Trails and AT Plan 5 mins
- Livingston Parks & Trails branding 5 mins
- North side trails (dog park, N. 11th St., other trails) 15 mins
- Growth policy draft available for review determine our next steps 30 mins
- New grant opportunities
- Updates: 10 mins
 - Adopt A Trail program
 - Committee partnerships technical assistance
 - o Social media

5) New Business

- Potential trail to PFL 5 mins
- Petition to abandon Grandview by Sacket Park 5 mins
- Alternates to November and December Committee meetings 5 mins.

6) Public Comments

7) Committee Comments

8) Adjourn meeting

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October 8, 2020 Work Session

An informal subcommittee of the Parks & Trails Committee met in a work session at 5 pm on Thursday, October 8 at the Gazebo in Sacajawea Park for the purpose of continuing the discussion of developing a structure and considering materials for reaching out to community groups and the public regarding parks and trails priorities and a trails plan. Jeanne-Marie Souvigney, Chair, facilitated the meeting.

Roll Call: Attendees included Sarah Stands, Alison Shannon-Lier and Jeanne-Marie Souvigney. Two members of the public, Erica Lighthiser and Robin Barker, also attended.

The subcommittee discussed an interest in moving forward with a trails and active transportation plan and the components that might be included in such a plan. They explored opportunities for using existing maps to reach out to members of the community. The ATC and PCEC would be interested in helping develop the plan. Jeanne will discuss options with Shannon Holmes.

Meeting adjourned at 7 pm.

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October 17, 2020 Field Visit

The Parks & Trails Committee met for a field visit at 9 am on Saturday, October 17, at the bowling alley for the purpose of discussing potential trails on the north side. A subsequent planned visit at 10 am at the NorthTown development was postponed to avoid difficult snow travel by the developer coming from Bozeman. Jeanne-Marie Souvigney, Chair, facilitated the meeting.

Roll Call: Attendees included Shelly Prasek, Carol Goosey, Sarah Stands, Alison Shannon-Lier and Jeanne-Marie Souvigney. Two members of the public, Rod Lee and Gayla Nicholson, also attended.

The committee met in response to a request from Rod Lee to discuss his interest in asking the City to abandon a section of North 11th Street above Front St. The P&TC in the past has explored options for a trail going from West Front St. to North 9th St., as well as a pocket park at the end of N. 10th St. above the hillside, proposed by Gayla Nicholson. That proposal for a pocket park was dropped when the City indicated it did not have the legal authority to transfer that road ROW for park use. The P&TC has also previously indicated to the City its opposition to abandoning rights of way that could be used for trails. Rod Lee was interested in exploring options for a trail up the hillside that might preclude the need for the N. 11th St. ROW.

The committee walked the hillside above W. Front St., primarily between N. 9th St and N. 11th St., and discussed various locations for trails in the area as well as property ownership and Rod Lee's understanding of which private property owners would be interested in allowing access across their properties. Property owned by the City and Park County could be affected, as well as land owned or controlled by the Livingston Ditch Association and Northwestern Energy. There are several informal trails in the area already, some of which are heavily used by the public.

The committee agreed to continue consideration of opportunities to locate trails in the area and to consult with City staff to understand what is feasible. Souvigney suggested that the Committee may prefer there was a formal plan in place for trails in that area before consideration of a ROW abandonment. The topic will be added to a future Parks & Trails Committee agenda.

A map that Rod Lee handed out is included with these minutes.

Meeting adjourned at about 10:30 am.

