

Parks and Recreation Board

February 11th, 2015
Park County, Montana

Attendance: Board members Martha Miller, Robin Ogata, Carol Woodley, Cara McNeely, Cassie Burns; Mike Inman, Planning; Steve Caldwell, Commissioner; Kristen Galbraith, Nittany Grant Works

Call to Order: 3:05 p.m.; City-County Complex East Room

Review and Approval of Minutes: The board reviewed minutes from the January 7th, 2015 meeting. *Martha Miller moved to accept the minutes. Robin Ogata seconded the motion. Motion passed.*

Public Comment: Mike Inman introduced Commissioner Steve Caldwell who will be the Commission liaison to the Parks & Recreation Board. Steve served formally as a City of Livingston Commissioner.

Carters Bridge Trail and Resurfacing Project: Kristen Galbraith spoke to the Board regarding the bike path resurfacing project. The original project estimate is significantly lower than the current estimate from CTA because MDT has added a lot of required safety features. Kristen said there is some CTEP money, \$25,000.00 from an RTP grant and a commitment by the County for \$1,500.00 towards the project leaving the project about \$50, 00.00 shy of what is needed. The County is applying for another RTP grant of \$35,000.00 for the project and if received will need \$5, 00.00 more. Kristen is hoping that park funds would also be available and she is asking the Parks & Recreation Board for a letter of recommendation to the Commission for the use of those funds. Steve suggested the Livingston Bike Club as a funding source. Carol Woodley said she thought YRRE funds could be used for this project but the original agreement would have to be checked to be sure. The Board decided to hold a special meeting on Wednesday 2/18/15 to review and consider the allocation of Park Funds and YRRE funds towards the bicycle path resurfacing and enhancement projects.

Poor Farm Historical Site Update: Mike Inman showed the Board pictures of the work done at the site and the installed Poor Farm signs. Carol said brick from the original poor farm building was used for the monument and stones taken from the cistern was used to circle the sign. Parks Frady is working on a county directional sign that people will see when they turn on Chicory Road that will list the Search & Rescue Building, County shops and the Poor Farm historical site.

County Trails GIS Update: This is currently on hold while GIS employee issues are straightened out. Mike said the County Trails GIS will tie into BACI.

Confluence Park Update: Mike said the contaminate survey was completed, submitted to the state and approved. Next the county will have an appraiser conduct a land value

assessment. There will be an update meeting in March with the Gardiner Water & Sewer Board to make sure everyone is on the same page.

Bike/Walk Montana Update: This is the Building Active Communities Initiative and a team from Park County will be attending a BACT conference in March.

MTAP Bike Path Extension Update: MDT and KLJ are going through their evaluation of the project, looking at design and they think some geo tech exploration needs to happen.

Board Discussion: The Board will hold a special meeting next Wednesday.

Next Meeting Date: February 18th, 2015

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: 4:20 p.m.

Martha Miller
Chair