

## **Parks and Recreation Board**

May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015  
Park County, Montana

**Attendance:** Board members Martha Miller, Robin Ogata, Carol Woodley, Cara McNeely; Mike Inman, Planning; Steve Caldwell, Commissioner; John Green, Livingston Bike Club

**Call to Order:** 3:04 p.m.; City-County Complex East Room

**Review and Approval of Minutes:** The board reviewed minutes from the January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015 meeting. *Carol Woodley moved to accept the minutes. Robin Ogata seconded the motion. Motion passed.*

**Public Comment:** John Green spoke on the activities of the bike club. He said the current project is working on a trail up Dry Creek and the Forest Service is involved. He said the club applied for RAC money and recently held a fund raiser and raised \$1,200.00. John said the Bike Club has also worked on George Lake trail and held two bike festivals.

**Poor Farm Historical Site Update:** Carol told the Board that the Poor Farm sign had problems with condensation and had to be replaced using different materials. Susan and Dan Nelson have placed flags at the site to honor veterans that are buried there. Carol also shared a letter from the Secretary of State acknowledging 100 years that Chico/Emigrant Cemetery Association has been in existence.

**County Trails GIS/BACI Update:** The Park County team attended the BACI conference and the County was awarded a grant and the goal is to develop a county GIS trails conceptual master plan and then come up with consolidated parks and trails master plan and begin the public process of updating it. Mike said they hope to have it completed by the end of June and have a draft ready to begin the public process mid-summer going out to the various communities and incorporating public comment into a final draft. The final draft will go before the Park Board and possibly the Planning & Development Board for recommendation to the Commissioners for adoption.

**Confluence Park Update:** The County is waiting on the land value assessment by Ross Winger who is two to three weeks behind schedule. Once done the County will enter into a formal agreement with the Gardiner Water and Sewer district for the transfer of the property in the condition the County expects.

**MTAP Bike Path Extension Update:** There was a meeting with MDOT and KLJ and they came back with their geo tech and designs. They had the path broken into three sections, AB and C. Everyone was in agreement with the design with the exception of rather than a culvert over Livingston ditch there will be a ten foot wide pedestrian bridge. There will be a final walk through and final design this spring and hope to have work completed next spring, early summer.

**RTP Bicycle Path Enhancement:** Originally the project was \$18,000.00 and grew to be \$78,000.00 so the County applied for a second RTP, the Park & Recreation Board approved \$5,000.00 park funds for interpretive signage. Once the County receives the second RTP the work can begin starting with resurfacing.

**Discussion of Process to Update and Consolidate Parks & Trails Plans:** Parks Frady, Public Works Director, wants the Board to engage in a discussion with the Green Acres Homeowners Association regarding Green Acres Park. Mike said the Board will also need to meet with Silvergate/Cooke City community regarding Silvergate Park.

**Next Meeting Date:** There was discussion about meeting in Cooke City in the near future. The July meeting date falls on July 1<sup>st</sup> which is during the rodeo and the meeting may be moved to the following week. Next meeting is June 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Public Comment:** None

**Adjournment:** 4:31 p.m.

Martha Miller  
Chair