



GREENWAY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, January 9th, 2024
In person, Room 208

ATTENDANCE

Present: Jeanie Shrednik, Ginni Stevens, Lonnie Olson, AJ Swain, Nancy Olson, Bebe Molway, Brent Lathrop, Sam Payne, Shaun Kirkwood, Jo Butler, Jim Walter, Wes Bay, Dick Krahenbuhl, Charles Bloom, Molly Bennett

Absent: John Poelma, Jason Sanchez, Pete Laybourn, Jeff Fassett, Wayne Shenefelt, Leann Koons

Call to Order.

Jo called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM. Meeting minutes from October 10th were approved with Nancy moving and Bebe seconding.

1. Nomination, Discussion and Vote on Chairperson

Jo Butler is stepping down as Chairperson and Jim Walters (Visit Cheyenne) expressed interest in filling the chair position. Jim Walters was appointed Chairperson.

2. Discussion and Vote on Selection of Citizen Members

Discussion on the seven applications submitted for citizen membership.

Charles Fahselt - HP Software Engineer

Eric Prior – Mortgage Banker, Wallick and Volk 1

Kathleen Blunn – Instructor at LCCC 1

Marguerite Herman - Lobbyist, League of Women Voters

Seth Ulvestad – Policy and Planning Analyst, State of Wyoming 1

Tim Bradshaw – Director, Cheyenne Regional Airport

TJ Kirkbride – LCSD #1, School Counselor

The committee discussed the current vacancies. There was discussion about potentially interviewing some of the candidates above. The committee decided to interview Eric Prior and Seth Ulvestad. Both candidates will be invited to the next meeting to determine these candidates' availability and interest in the position.

Councilman Laybourn stated he would like to extend an email of thanks to all of the applicants who applied.

3. Maintenance update- Sam Payne, Molly Bennett

a. General Maintenance

Sam said that they are doing routine maintenance.

Sam and crews will be touring the greenway to observe items that need to be fixed or trimmed.

4. Engineering Projects Update–Wes Bay, Molly Bennett

a. Wes Bay- City

Wes said that he had no updates.

b. Molly Bennett- County

Molly said the greenway crossing at division will need to be addressed. There is a plan to extend Division all the way to Wallock.

5. Greenway Projects Update–Jeanie Vetter, Ginni Stevens

a. US-30 Underpass

Jeanie said the contract went to Reiman & Aztec Partnership for a total project cost of \$19,129,466.00 with underpass estimated in the realm of \$1.5 to 1.7 million. (LCCC was 1.9 million) Reiman has ordered RCBC and expects delivery in February. They anticipate working on the underpass first. Around mid-February. Councilman Laybourn mentioned a section of the greenway may be shutdown due to construction on US-30. Construction is set to begin soon and could be a safety concern for greenway users.

b. Sun Valley to Kiwanis Park Connector

Jeanie told the Committee we did NOT get the TAP grant for this project again this year but Summit Engineering is working on complete construction design this winter and spring. Once the design is complete and the US-30 underpass is done we will have a much better chance to get TAP funding in FY25. The lower match has made this grant very competitive. Swagger Construction is talking with Mary Ornelaz regarding the property east of the Sun Valley Open Space and his residential project to the east.

c. Kiwanis Park Constructed Wetlands and Trail

Jeanie told the Committee that she presented a grant request and project to the Wyoming DEQ Non-Point Source Task Force on December 6th in Casper. We are asking for \$200,000 for the project. We haven't heard back on the grant. Depending on DEQ grant we might be asking the Laura Jane Musser Fund for a \$35,000.00 grant (due March 15th) and the Cheyenne Women's Civic League for \$10,000.00 (due January 15th) These grant requests will be based on the DEQ grant as the full project is expected to cost in the realm of \$369,000.00

d. Rotary Park

Jeanie told the group that Rotary Park will be dedicated to the City in the next month or two and she has put together a contract with DHM to begin a Parks Master Plan for the site. Waiting on DHM to return the signed contract.

e. Parks and Recreation Master Plan

Jeanie told the group that The Parks and Recreation Master Plan kicked off in November with focus group discussions. She thanked all who attended! We heard from adult and youth sports groups, developers, engineers and planners, tourism experts, operations and maintenance personnel, special populations like the shelters and library and trail, natural areas and open space stakeholders. We should be seeing a project website and on-line surveys coming out soon and next steps will determine public open house options as well. This project is expected to continue into the summer and will ultimately determine our top priorities for the next 10 years. One item heard repeatedly by all groups was the need for indoor recreation opportunities (rec center)

6. MPO Projects Update

a. West Crow Creek Greenway 35% Plan Update- Ginni

Ginni said that in the planning stages for this project. The consultant is evaluating all options for crossings and other feasibilities.

b. Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Plan Update – Ginni

Ginni said the MPO held public open houses for the SRTS plan and had an online survey with over 500 responses. Planning to begin stakeholder meetings later this month and next month.

7. Reed Ave. Corridor and 15th Street Update – Pete

Pete said that there will be more info to come in about 3 weeks. He is confident in collaboration with Burlington Railroad. Pete said the overall goal now is to combine 15th street project with the Reed Ave. corridor project with the greenway underpass from newspaper building under Lincolnway to 15th St. Getting the greenway downtown and connecting the path at pumphouse to 15th street.

8. Greenway Foundation–Nancy Olson,

Nancy gave an update that the foundation is looking into how to gain sponsorships for bike stations. The foundation has \$12,000 for the next wayfinding project.

9. Other Items

Jim adjourned meeting at 1:27 pm