

Boundary County Bike and Pedestrian Trail Committee, Inc. (9B Trails)

Meeting Minutes (Unofficial until approved): Regular Meeting (Board only due to COVID-19 restrictions)
May 7, 2020, 12:00 pm @ The Plaza

Agenda:

- Establish Quorum ● Approve & sign 3/5/20 Minutes ● Time logs & Treasurer's Report
- New Business: Volunteer appreciation and Trail design & construction discussion
- Old Business: POP/IMBA course postponed to Sept 17-19. Riverside Park MOU revision completed.
- Committee Reports: ○ Finance ○ Marketing & Publicity ○ Community Outreach & Support – Volunteer Coord
○ Development & Maintenance ○ Advocacy & Land Acquisition
- Next Meeting ● Adjourn

Board Members:

Present: Tess Rae, Rob Beck, Olivia Drake, Larry Davidson, Scott Bourassa

Quorum? Yes

No Ex-Officio officers or other attendees present due to COVID-19 restrictions.

A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order by President Tess Rae at 12:11 pm.
MOTION to approve the minutes from 3/5/20 (Larry – Rob 2nd) approved unanimously.

The Treasurer's report was reviewed as previously emailed, and the balance reconciled to \$16,307.55. The general fund balance is \$3146.98. Existing funds earmarked for Enchanted Forest \$2400, and Section 16 \$710.57.

Action Item: Tess is checking into a donation limit on the website. Donations can always be mailed in. Scott and Tess reviewed expense receipts.

New business:

There have been questions from those who had prior permission to access the Enchanted Forest property with their vehicles. 9B Trails has a lease for a non-motorized trail system, which makes us a tenant where we can restrict access to our trails. Access not under our purview must be negotiated with the landowner, as we can neither grant or revoke those permissions.

Discussion was held regarding how to show our appreciation to all volunteers, and especially those who have been very dedicated and logging extra time on trail work. Since Far North has the 9BT t-shirts for purchase, we could get a Trail Crew shirt for those with a certain number of trail hours. *Individuals noted in 6/4 minutes*

The excavator will be headed to Enchanted Forest this weekend. Scott's Monday evening work crews can start back up on the 18th. Experienced volunteers can visit when they have time as there will be tools left on site and hopefully there will be enough operators to keep the excavator ahead. Scott Rulander or others may be able to lead another work crew on a different day if there is enough interest.

Action Item: Develop a reporting system so that all the individuals and crews know what the current situation is: 1) The approved routes should be cleared and flagged ahead of the excavator. 2) The excavator operator should have at least one other individual on-site for safety. 3) Experienced/approved individuals should be able to know or find out generally what progress the excavator has made and where the tools will be. 4) All of this helps to be able to plan for each scheduled work party.

The 6 miles at Section 16 has been smoothed out and don't need much more finishing. Some of the final work on the cut slopes/angle of repose will wait until after there is some weather to see how everything settles. IDL will take care of burning the slash pile at the parking lot. Kramer is lined up to finish the grading and rock surface including compaction. Then the porta-potty can be added. The kiosk can be placed off the gravel parking where there is a break in the ditching where the trail begins. Estimating signs at \$1500 and gravel + labor at \$3000, approx. \$4500 is needed to complete Phase II of Section 16 for the summer. Results of major grant applications will be announced later this month. Olivia was approved to order the sign posts and decals. Decals will also require IDL approval.

Action Item: Schedule to complete the Section 16 parking lot: Ditch, grading, gravel, compacting. Will Kramer be able to pull the ditch with their equipment?

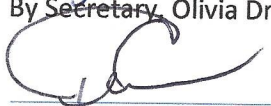
Action Item: Find exact location of water lines at Enchanted Forest to plan for the kiosk location and parking area. Schedule kiosk construction.

Old Business: (as noted in the agenda: POP/IMBA course postponed to Sept 17-19. Riverside Park MOU revision completed)

Committee reports were covered in general discussion, and the meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for 6/4/20, 12:00 pm @ Mugsy's, dependent on restrictions.


By Secretary, Olivia Drake


Chairman, Tess Rae
(Vice Chair, Rob Beck)