

Midway City Trails & Parks Advisory Committee Meeting

September 26, 2023

Minutes

Committee Members in Attendance: Rob Bouwhuis, Cristine Tuttle, David Paskoski, Amanda Peterson, Krista Lewis, and Paulette Tilman

Others in attendance: Katie Villani, Janice Kennedy, Russ Rauhauser, and Wes Johnson

6:00 P.M. Regular Meeting

1. Approve Minutes

- **Motion** to continue to the October meeting the review and approval of minutes from the August 22, 2023, meeting to allow members time to review. Motion by Amanda Peterson, seconded by David Paskoski. All in favor. None opposed.

2. Public Comment

- Jannice Kennedy from the Hamlet updated the committee on the cooperative efforts between the Hamlet and the City, which resulted in an easement to the City to use approximately 11 acres of open space owned by the Hamlet and located east of Michie Lane near the Provo River. Permitted uses are outlined in the easement agreement, which has not yet been recorded because a survey was needed for the boundary description.
- Janice Kennedy also described a concept of tiny forests which are used in other regions and countries as buffers and micro air filters and may be useful near areas like sewer ponds. She may request to be placed on a future agenda to discuss further.

3. Update on Amendment to Section 5.03.060, Parks and Trails

- At its September 19, 2023 meeting, the City Council voted to amend this section of the Code to prohibit the following in City parks and trails (unless otherwise authorized by the City): overnight parking, parking of trailers and boats, parking vehicles over 25 feet, no parking or driving of motor vehicle and/or trailers in any manner which blocks, inhibits or interferes with use of parks and trails and facilities by lawful users.

4. Discussion of Park Signs

- At its September 19, 2023, meeting, City Council also approved implementation of signs noticing the restrictions under Section 5.03.060. The Committee discussed possible sign recommendations, including language and placement of signs. The recommendation is to include language welcoming people to Midway Parks and Trails and then listing the changes through words and/or pictures and/or a combination of the two. Recommend signs at the entrances to the parking areas at Burgi Hill Park, and perhaps other bottleneck areas, as well as a separate central signboard which could be used to list the regulations in full.

5. Update on review of applications for possible new members.

- The City received several applications for possible new members. The Mayor has reviewed the applications and will be forwarding recommendations to the City Council at its upcoming October 3, 2023, meeting on the consent agenda.
- The Committee discussed doing some orientation for new members. Rob will reach out to new members.
- The Committee discussed creating a survey for members of the Parks and Trails and Trees committee, including new members, ranking priorities, including trail recommendations and priorities to be forwarded to the City.

Motion to adjourn by Krista Lewis, seconded by David Paskoski. All in favor. None opposed.

Adjourned at 7:35 PM