

Trails Committee Meeting—Jan 17, 2024

In Attendance: Will Jones, Breezy Anson, Heather Peper, Shelly Butterfield, Trent Edwards, Jessica Smuin, Heidi Smith, Roger Dudley (engineer for the Fitzgerald family)

Discussion Item 1: Fitzgerald & Patterson Property Trail Issue

Issue: The Fitzgerald family would like their property to be annexed and needs to adjust their proposal to lessen the impact on the current trail system. The Patterson group is also planning its development adjacent to the Fitzgerald property. Since both properties make up the development, they need to work together to incorporate the existing trails system. Three established trails are affected: Flank, Corkscrew, and Bonneville Shoreline Connector.

Recommendation:

Developers need to create a good transition trail plan from the existing trails which will tie to Lambert Park and the area to the south. The middle trail known as Flach could navigate between planned lots but would require a 12'-15' easement with a minimum 8' groomed section in the middle. The upper trail, Corkscrew, could be relocated east into the proposed open space area but would need to be done in a way to maintain its usability due to the elevation issues of the area involved, which would include the addition of switchbacks. Flank will need to retain its natural state and tie in with Redford Run Trail. The Bonneville connection on the west edge should be paved, ideally with crushed granite ("the fines"), but not allow any motorized vehicle access. Trail signs and markers will also be needed. Developers will be responsible for all costs associated with the trail adjustments and must use a professional trail builder in the construction process.

Discussion Item 2: Three Falls Trail Adjustments

Issue: Some of the current trails are located on private land and/or within the Lehi city limits.

Recommendation:

1. There is a small loop area that goes into private land that will be moved outside of the property line.
2. A new connector trail will be constructed that bypasses the "forbidden trail" zone. It could include an addition that could go up and around the "1st Hemagog" area (trail?). The meeting with Lehi City has already occurred and Jed is working on a map/drawing of the proposed changes. They should be available by the City Council meeting on Tuesday. It will be sent to Lehi for a written approval, then we will proceed.
3. The lower "forbidden trail" area solution is still being discussed between the city and the property owner.

Discussion Item 3: Upcoming issues, dates and Newsline articles

- April 27th is the date for Trail Day of Service
- Will did the article for Feb, the next articles will be done in order by: Shelly, Trent, Heather, Breezy. They will have them to Heidi by the 15th of each month
- Proposed "Hoof and Boot" trail options as this demographic has been underserved