Minutes of the Centerville City Trails Committee meeting held Thursday, March 25, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Eric Johnson
Matt Johnson
Jamison Pexton
Sherrae Phelps
Mikael Remington, Chair
Del Ruesch

STAFF PRESENT

George McEwan, City Council Liaison
Brant Hanson, City Manager
Bruce Cox, Parks and Recreation Director
Connie Larson, Recording Secretary

DETERMINATION LETTER

George McEwan, City Council Liaison, read the Determination Letter in accordance with Utah Code 52-4-207(4) of the Utah Open and Public Meeting Act that states according to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Trails Committee meeting may be held electronically.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

New members of the Trails Committee were introduced. They are: Eric Johnson, Jamison Pexton, Del Ruesch, and Sherrae Phelps.

ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

Matt Johnson made a **motion** to elect Mikael Remington as chair of the Trails Committee. Sherrae Phelps seconded the motion, which was passed by unanimous vote (6-0).

Matt Johnson made a **motion** to elect Sherrae Phelps as vice chair of the Trails Committee. Eric Johnson seconded the motion, which was passed by unanimous vote (6-0).

TRAILS MAINTENANCE

Chair Mikael Remington reported he met with Mayor Wilkinson, and he would like the Trails Committee to brainstorm on what changes and improvements can be made on the hillside to make a difference for the community and hillside. Sherrae Phelps said she is a trail runner, and would like to see unofficial trails become official trails. She would like to see trail signs placed at the trailheads. Sherrae talked with Mayor Wilkinson on the section of the Bonneville Shoreline Trail that goes above the zigzag trail. It was filled with dog waste, and she and her family cleaned it up. She would like to see better maintenance of the trails.

Jamison Pexton said Centerville had momentum several years ago to improve the trails, but the trail system has not progressed as fast as Fruit Heights and Farmington. Del Ruesch asked what authorization the Trails Committee would need to have from the Forest Service to make trails on Forest Service Land. George McEwan, City Council Liaison, explained the City Council wants a master plan for the 160 acres of hillside property on how it will be used for the various activities to coexist. There have been problems with ATV users, hikers, and horses on the trails. The Trails Committee needs to take the lead with a plan, and then the City Council can incorporate as many ideas as possible.

Mikael Remington explained trail signage and maintenance was done several years ago by a Boy Scout on the Deuel Creek Trail, along with Plexiglas signs and bridge repairs. Most of the trail repairs and maintenance were done by Boy Scouts for Eagle Scout projects. It is not known know if Eagle Scout projects will take place. Approval to improve and expand trails must be obtained from the property owners and the Forest Service.

Mikael Remington explained an Active Transportation Plan has been made of proposed trails and bike lanes connecting with Bountiful City to make the two cities more connectable for walking and biking. A grant has been approved to also make trail and bike lane connections with North Salt Lake and Farmington. Bruce Cox, Parks and Recreation Director, will send the completed Master Plan to Committee members. Mr. Remington also said a few years ago, plans were made for a mountain bike trail on the Bonneville Shoreline area. Improvements were made, but the Forest Service must give approval for new trails. In the past, the Trails Committee has hosted running races on the trails, and a guided mountain bike tour.

Bruce Cox, Parks and Recreation Director, reported the Rotary Club will be doing a service project on March 27th. The yellow rope across the east perimeter of the dike area will be replaced that is used to keep ATV's outside of the area.

BIKE REPAIR STATION

Chair Mikael Remington reported a law firm would like to donate a bike repair station on the hillside, which would be a donation of $2,000. The Trails Committee discussed various locations on the Bonneville Shoreline Trail where a bike repair station could be placed, and also on the Freedom Hills Trail. Del Ruesch said he will walk the Legacy Trail at Parrish Lane to see if there is a direction sign to the Maverick Gas Station where there are restrooms and a tire repair station.

NEXT MEETING

The next Trails Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, April 15, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. at the Freedom Hills Park Pavilion. Committee members are to bring a list of items they would like to have prioritized by the Trails Committee. Bruce Cox will bring an enlarged map of the trails in Centerville.

ADJOURN

At 8:20 p.m., Chair Mikael Remington made a **motion** to adjourn the meeting. Matt Johnson seconded the meeting, which was passed by unanimous vote (6-0).

Jennifer Hansen
Jennifer Hansen, Deputy City Recorder

April 15, 2021
Date Approved

Connie Larson
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