

1 Minutes of the Centerville City Trails Committee meeting held Thursday, February 23, 2017 at
2 8:00 p.m. in the City Hall Business Office Conference Room, 250 North Main Street, Centerville,
3 Utah.

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5 **MEMBERS PRESENT**

6 Mark Dimond, Chair
7 Brandon Federico
8 Matt Johnson, arrived at 8:25 p.m.
9 Mark Oligschlaeger
10 Blair Parrish
11 Mikael Remington

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13 **MEMBERS ABSENT**

14 Rick Turner

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16 **STAFF PRESENT**

17 Bruce Cox, Parks and Recreation Director
18 Robyn Mecham, City Council Liaison
19 Connie Larson, Recording Secretary

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21 **VISITORS**

22 Boy Scout Troop 1169
23 Tom Tasker
24 Carol Tasker
25 Tom Millar, Alta Planning & Design
26 Taylor Felt, Bountiful Trails Committee
27 Eric Rasmussen, Bountiful Trails Committee
28 Benjamin Becker, Bountiful Trails Committee
29 Jesse Bell, Bountiful Trails Committee
30 Bo Foreman, Bountiful Trails Committee

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32 **"JUST SERVE" VOLUNTEER PROGRAM**

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34 Tom Tasker explained he and his wife, Carol, are the Just Serve specialists in the
35 Centerville LDS North Stake. This new program began three years ago, but it is now getting started
36 in Utah. Is a clearing house for service projects in the United States, and the LDS Church is funding
37 the website. This website is not a tool for proselyting or missionary work. It is for any government,
38 civic, or church in the United States that needs volunteer help or volunteers looking for ways to
39 serve and is located at *justserve.org*. For the Trails Committee, they can put their projects on the
40 website to solicit volunteer help. There is an app at the Apple and Goggle stores that can also be
41 used on this website. Mr. Tasker's phone number is 801-232-8221 if anyone has questions about
42 the website.

MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Minutes of the November 17, 2016 meeting minutes were reviewed. Chair Dimond made a **motion** to approve the minutes as amended. Mark Oligschlaeger seconded the motion, which was passed by unanimous vote (6-0).

DISCUSS ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Chair Dimond introduced Tom Millar, Alta Planning and Design, who has been working with Mark Oligschlaeger on the Active Transportation Plan. There has been discussion of combining the Active Transportation Plan with Bountiful City, which could save \$70,000. Mr. Oligschlaeger said he has been working with Mr. Millar and Scott Hess, from the Wasatch Front Region Council, to make an active transportation plan that is posted on the Wasatch Front Regional Council website.

At 8:25 p.m., Matt Johnson arrived at the meeting.

Tom Millar, Alta Planning & Design, explained his company is a private company, but they are a consultant that only does walking and biking transportation design and engineering. They do consulting for trails, sidewalks, overpasses, and underpasses to make it easier to walk and bike. They have completed 19 active transportation plans in Utah in the last five years. Farmington and Kaysville did a joint plan that produced two different documents they could individually adopt. These communities have received funding for their projects depending on what they wanted in their plan, which determined the price of the plan. Most of the funding comes with around a ten percent match. For example, when Kaysville and Farmington did a combined project, their individual matches were around \$55,000, and they received a couple thousand dollars from the Health Department. Their individual matches were \$3,000 to \$4,000. They had a \$60,000 planning document, and it was an eight to twelve month process to plan the transportation plans. The planning committee was made of trails committee members, city council members, planning commission members, city staff, UDOT representatives, and the Regional Transportation Group, and members of the community. This group of people develop visions and goals for the plan, and they look at existing conditions where there are bike lanes and crashes in recent years involving pedestrians and bicyclists. Different projects are then recommended, and costs are assigned to each project. Prioritization and phasing of the projects then takes place.

Mark Oligschlaeger asked the benefits of when to approach UDOT for a corner like Main Street and the Frontage Road, and the credibility that builds. He also asked what the process for matching funds is. Mr. Millar explained in meetings with UDOT, they want to see a plan, as they need to be on the same plane as the city council and city departments. UDOT has been very cooperative in all of the plans and discussions Alta Planning & Design have done. The Wasatch Front Regional Council has a program which has funded many of these projects, which is TLC (Transportation and Land Use Connections). At the end of the year, the Wasatch Front Regional Council accepts letters of intent, and around February and March they decide which projects they will award funding for the coming year. There are also nonprofit grant programs that provide funding. Chair Dimond asked about the different challenges in doing a plan for a city, like Centerville, where the city is built out. Mr. Millar said the focus should be on what the future

1 policies will be, and how business parking is designed. Focus would be on the existing width of
2 the road right-of-way on the streets, and how many cars are traveling on the roads.

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4 Robyn Mecham, City Council Liaison, said she received an email from a cyclist that said
5 bike lanes should not be placed on Main Street, or on heavily traveled roads because of car exhaust
6 fumes. Mr. Millar said this will not change their plans, because the air quality effects of being next
7 to a car, or being on a side street are not considerable enough to change the bike lanes on Main
8 Street. If possible, the separation distance should be extended between cars and bicycle traffic.
9 The trend now is to build bike lanes as comfortable to ride as going for a walk on a sidewalk. The
10 Centerville City Council is interested in listening to the plan, and Farmington and West Bountiful
11 can be included in the discussion.

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13 Bruce Cox, Parks and Recreation Director, reported UDOT is over maintenance of Parrish
14 Lane, and the City is discussing redeveloping Pages Lane east of Main Street to connect with bike
15 lanes that go west into West Bountiful. The Trails Committee will begin planning a Bike
16 Transportation Plan that will be presented to the City Council by November 2017. Mark
17 Oligschlaeger will plan to approach the City Council and UDOT, and request approval for three
18 blank out red signs on the overpass at Parrish Lane, so that when pedestrians are crossing the street,
19 the traffic will not turn into the pedestrians. Phase II and III will be for cross walks and signage
20 when spring arrives.

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22 Bo Foreman, Bountiful Trails Committee, said he has traveled to Amsterdam, and other
23 European cities, and people ride bikes in and out of traffic. Mr. Millar explained in European cities,
24 30 percent of the population ride bikes instead of driving. After World War II, the biking
25 infrastructure continued to build in Europe, but people stayed in the cities and didn't migrate out
26 to the suburbs. In the United States, we became prosperous and migrated out to the suburbs and
27 wanted to have cars. Trying to fit the European infrastructure into this area is difficult, because we
28 have different road standards.

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30 Mr. Millar said the maximum population for a joint plan would be 70,000 to 80,000 people.
31 A proposed trail plan will be drafted that will have east/west and north/south connections, and it
32 will be presented to the Bountiful and Centerville City Councils. West Bountiful will be contacted
33 to ask them to join in the Master Trail Plan. Davis County is trying to get support for a County
34 wide trails master plan that will look at connections between the cities.

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36 **UPDATE ON PROPOSED MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAILS AND REPORT ON**
37 **RECENT MEETINGS WITH COUNTY AND BST**

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39 Brandon Federico said he met recently with the Davis County Trails Committee, and their
40 focus is on the Bonneville Shoreline Trail. It was decided that Bountiful and Centerville need to
41 make a plan that is beneficial for both cities, and make a trailhead at the Cheese Park in Bountiful
42 and, from that point, make trails that will branch out. This should go over better with the residents
43 who do not want a new trailhead and the additional traffic that would come with it. There is not a
44 good place for the high school mountain biking teams to practice.

1 Bo Foreman, Bountiful Trails Committee, also coaches the Bountiful High School
2 Mountain Biking Team, and they practice with the Viewmont and Woods Cross mountain biking
3 teams.
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5 He has 25 students who practice at Mueller Park at 6:00 a.m., and on Tuesday after school.
6 This sport is growing exponentially, and is becoming popular among the middle school age
7 students. There is a big need for biking trails that can be integrated together. The Utah Mountain
8 Biking Association is having a hard time finding places to race. The Utah Mountain Biking
9 Association that is associated with the National Biking Association now has up to 2,000 racers,
10 plus their families and coaches at national races. They are always trying to find places to race, and
11 these events brings a large amount of money to the community.
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13 The Committee discussed how to plan trails and parking without impacting the residents.
14 Another consideration is having "one way" trails, and marked trails for walking and biking only.
15 Growth is inevitable, and it must be planned for. If trails are not planned and designed, they will
16 be made by the bikers that could be in places where it can cause erosion and other problems.
17 Erosion studies must be done before any trails are made. The next step is to walk the desired trail,
18 take photos, identify problems and solutions, and then begin planning the trails. Robyn Mecham
19 said the best way to get City Council approval is to start small and work up, and to also have
20 Centerville residents support the project.
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22 UPDATE ON PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE SIGNAGE PLAN

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24 Back in November, Mark Oligschlaeger and Police Chief Paul Child discussed signage for
25 the pedestrian bridge at Parrish Lane, and particularly lights to protect pedestrians as they cross
26 the onramp to northbound I-15 that is extremely dangerous. Chair Dimond and Brandon Frederico
27 met with the City Council this past December, and the City might be willing to give money towards
28 this project.
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30 VOTE ON NEW COMMITTEE CHAIR AND CO-CHAIR FOR 2017

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32 Chair Dimond made a **motion** to nominate Mikael Remington as Chair of the Trails
33 Committee for 2017, and Mark Oligschlaeger as Vice Chair. Matt Johnson seconded the motion,
34 which was passed by unanimous vote (7-0).
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36 DISCUSS FILLING COMMITTEE VACANCY, REVIEW APPLICATIONS

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38 The Trails Committee discussed the possibility of having an alternate member on the Trails
39 Committee.

NEXT MEETING

The next Trails Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, March 16, 2017 at 8:00 p.m.
at City Hall.

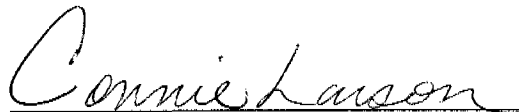
ADJOURN

At 10:00 p.m., the meeting was adjourned.


Mark Dimond, Chair

4-7-2016

Date Approved


Connie Larson, Recording Secretary

