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TOWN OF BERTHOUD PORT COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, September 2, 2020 6:00 P.M.

This was a VIRTUAL MEETING hosted by Zoom

1. Call to Order - Brian

2. Roll Call

- Brian Dodd, Chair - Absent
- Charles Redder, Vice-Chair - Absent
- Lyn Ludwig, Secretary - Present
- Len Guldenpfennig - Present
- Phil Klein - Present
- Tim Grover - Present
- Jose Cabrera - Present
- Jeff Hindman, Trustee Liaison - Present
- Keith Knoll, Staff Representative - Present

3. Approval of Minutes- Wednesday August 5, 2020 meeting Tim voted to approve minutes and Len seconded the approval

4. Public Comment

Chris Kurtz attended the meeting as a new resident. He is interested in the Master Plan of Berthoud (Trails) and also asked if there would be access to the Loveland Reservoir. Chris also expressed interest in volunteering for PORT in the future.

Keith is to check on this and report back at the next meeting.

5. Discussion

A. Waggener Farm Park Skate Site/Amenity

The town is looking for feedback from the community as well as PORT.

An optimal location would be at the southeast area of Waggener Farm Park. The park would be around 12000 square feet of skatable terrain full measures at ~ 3500 square feet with the street course portion of 8700 square feet. The street elements are plaza style with transition features. The colors will be farm style with a white fence and gate to coincide with other elements of the park. There will be black stenciling and a thin brick stenciling.

A survey was sent out to the community (all age levels) and the town received 65 results.

A bowl was requested as a main feature from the survey. There is a phase 2 that the designer sent the town staff which included a half pipe that may also be an option.

The project would cost around 700k+ for completion. The town would also be looking at a grant or partial grant to support this feature.

There will be a second round of community input in regards to the Skate Park and its features. Once this is done, then the information/input will be sent to the designer and Town Board for discussion. If this is approved by the Town Board, a bid will be sought.

The location of this park, a larger skate park and listed design features are supported by the PORT committee.

PORT requested that the planting of the trees wouldn't hinder the skaters (request to make sure there would be safety IF landscape/trees would be planted).

PORT indicated importance of bike paths to go directly to the skate park for easy access for the skate boarders. Keith is to check on this feature and report back to PORT.

PORT mentioned the importance of a shade structure at the new skate park. The shade structure at the current skate park is movable and could be re-located which could fulfill this request.

PORT also supported the idea of a plug-in feature (as there is one at the current skate park) so that devices can be utilized while using this park and so that they can listen to music.

B. Richardson Farm Bike Trails/Amenity (Located north of the Loveland reservoir)

Conceptually speaking, this park would house a ballfield complex, trails and a possible bike track. The bike track would be on the west side of reservoir and 12.5 acres (total) with a 1 acre pump track. The estimated cost would be 1.1 million+. This track might include the following:

- Bicycle playground
- Sills Trails
- Start HUB
- Dirt Jumps
- Cross Country Trails
- Return Trail
- Variable elevation from North to South

There is a potential for two phases to occur. For example, the first phase would include pump track, bicycle playground and skills trails. The second phase would include a start HUB, dirt jumps, cross country trails etc.

PORT discussed and requested if the size of the bike park could be expanded to include the southwest corner that currently is in the design plan (this portion is mapped as an empty space).

PORT mentioned consideration of biking trails northeast of the potential Bike Park.

PORT asked how would people access bike park (off of what road)?

PORT asked for progressive options and choice of levels.

This would support various skill levels beginning, intermediate, advanced
e.g. for pump track, skills trails, dirt jumps

6. Staff updates – Trails, Parks

- A) Hillsdale Park – Staff fixed drainage along the west side of park by removing the cattails and cutting the ditch so that water will now flow smoothly. This will prevent flow of water on the north side where the bathroom was built. The sidewalk connection should start next week with installing the concrete connection to connect to the developer portion.

Surface material will be added to reshape the trail for improvement and signage at Hillsdale indicating temporary closures has been placed in which PORT has noticed and is thankful for.

- B) Jaskowski Property- Keith is continuing to reach out to Colorado Open Lands and is waiting to hear from them in regards to conservation easements and what is allowed on these designated properties. They will come out and look at the property to ensure conservation rights/easements are being honored.
- C) Northern Trail Connection -Keith spoke with Marilyn in Loveland to discuss their work on the connectivity for a Northern trail (between Berthoud and Loveland). They are working

through the Golden Eagles nest issue. The Loveland trail design is located ½ mile away from the Golden Eagle's nest which satisfies Audubon Society as well as Colorado Parks and Wildlife concerns. They are also continuing to review private property issues that would be involved in the development of this trail. The current development plans for this trail for Loveland are designated for 2023 and 2024 for connection.

- D) Rookery (Heron Lakes area) - Keith has reached out to Colorado Parks and Wildlife and asked about keeping a buffer zone to protect wildlife and is waiting to hear back from them.

7. Committee updates

PORT suggested for the Jaskowski property:

Pumpkin Patch

Christmas Trees

Arboretum indoor classroom (house?) for nature themed classes

Agility course for dogs

Scentwork trials (indoor and outdoor) with usage of the house

8. Adjourn

Next meeting: October 7, 2020 @ 6pm

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