
PARKS, TRAILS, OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE
MEETING AGENDA
JANUARY 15TH, 2013
5:30 – 7:00 PM
TOWN HALL

TO: PARKS, TRAILS AND OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE
FROM: JEN COATES
DATE: JANUARY 15TH, 2013

Parks, Trails and Open Spaces Committee Members:

Doug Canright, Sara Ballantyne, Rick Weaver, Jen Coates, Jennifer Mandaville, Jared Coburn, Stephanie Wallin, Eric Johnson

- I. Approval of Minutes from November 6th, 2012
- II. Update on Bouldering area and discussion of options – Josh Gowans
 - GOCO Funding
 - General survey
 - Funding and timing
 - Council resolution
 - Competing grant applications
 - Natural/Artificial Boulder
 - Other
- III. Update and Status on Priority Projects for 2013:
 - 1. Dog Park Property Acquisition and Development discussion – *Doug Canright and Jen Coates*
 - 2. Update on Volunteer Adopt a Park Program – *Jennifer Mandaville*
 - 3. Signage for Dennis Weaver Memorial Park – *Rick Weaver*
 - 4. Pickleball Court Over-Striping out at Athletic Field – *Rick Weaver*
 - 5. Placement of Banner Poles, Kiosk in Hartwell Park – *Jen Coates*
 - 6. Cottonwood tree fencing in Rollans Park and adjoining Town Property at the river – *Jen Coates, Jared Coburn and Doug Canright*
 - 7. Contract status update for CU-Denver and design/construction of stage in Hartwell Park – *Jen Coates and Doug Canright*
 - 8. Bike Rack Design and Installation Project – *Sara Ballantyne*
 - 9. *Other*
- IV. Adjourn

PARKS, TRAILS, OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH, 2012
5:30 – 7:00 PM
TOWN HALL

TO: PARKS, TRAILS AND OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE
FROM: JEN COATES
DATE: NOVEMBER 6TH, 2012

Parks, Trails and Open Spaces Committee Members:

Attendees: Doug Canright, Sara Ballantyne, Jen Coates, Jennifer Mandaville, Jared Coburn, Stephanie Wallin, Eric Johnson, Jonathan Brittain

Not Present: Rick Weaver

The meeting convened at 5:44 PM

I. Approval of Minutes from September 26th, 2012

The committee indicated the September 26th meeting adjourned after Jen left at 6:35PM. With this addition to the minutes, Sara motioned to approve the minutes. Doug seconded. All present approved.

II. Update on Boulder area – Josh Gowans (via phone)

Jen explained the opportunity Josh is pursuing with regard to natural bouldering rocks from Durango to replace the fabricated rock.

Eric Johnson arrived at 5:55 PM.

Jen explained the Council has preliminarily budgeted \$7000 for this project in 2013 although the Railroad Street realignment project is not planned or budgeted at this time for 2013. Josh will report back to the committee on the natural boulder option then the committee will consider how to move forward with the project. Jen explained that GOCO has 2 funding opportunities in the spring and the fall that could facilitate the project in either natural stone clusters, fabricated rock, or other configuration.

JB shared a video with the group on a functional pump track indicating these tracks are a destination amenity for competitions etc.

III. Pump Track Proposal - Jonathan Brittain, Sara Ballantyne
-- see attached plan

JB explained the idea for the pump track to be similar to a variable skill ski area and the track is really a skill building area for biking and skiing as an upper body workout.

JB and Sara indicated that 16-20 children participated in the DEVO program.

Eric suggested JB contact Wyeth Gubelman for use of equipment to assist with construction of the track. JB indicated he needs 2 hours of labor and equipment use to complete the first stage of the park.

Sara indicated they would like to have an additional skills area with logs, ladders, etc. The existing ladder is sufficient for now, but longer term they will be back to request additional skills building obstacles.

The group was supportive of the proposed overall plan for the pump track and future skills area in close collaboration with town staff to insure safety and good design.

IV. Request to place Patty Ammon Memorial Tree in the Dennis Weaver Memorial Park – Eric Johnson

Eric asked if the group was okay with placing a memorial tree such as a blue spruce in the flat area down by the river. The group was supportive of the request.

V. Update and Status on Priority Projects for 2012 and 2013:

1. Dog Park Property Acquisition and Development discussion – Doug Canright and Jen Coates

Doug and Jen shared the draft budget for fencing, parking, access, trash receptacles, doggie bag stations, shade structure, etc. to be estimated at \$25,000 with \$5,000 budgeted for 2013. The group discussed volunteer efforts to facilitate the improvements and also constructing some fencing of the property. Doug mentioned the access from Solar Ranches should also be a priority with access to the Liddell Street Right of Way from County Road 23. Stephanie suggested checking with Kelly Goodin to inquire on volunteers to assist with facilitating improvements if needed. Doug will follow up on pricing and options for fencing.

2. Update on Volunteer Adopt a Park Program – Jennifer Mandaville

Jen will follow up with Danny, Joanne and Rusty Weaver on the program to evaluate priorities for the various parks with the program. Jarrod offered to assist with these efforts.

3. Signage for Dennis Weaver Memorial Park – Rick Weaver

Jen reported \$1500 is preliminarily budgeted for signage in the park, and there may be opportunity to coordinate with the Industrial Arts Program at the Ridgway School District

4. Pickleball Court Over-Striping out at Athletic Field – *Rick Weaver*
5. Placement of Banner Poles and Information Kiosk in Hartwell Park – *Jen Coates*

The group discussed an interactive screen and QR code option with the kiosk and the importance of incorporating this into the kiosk and /or planning with electrical and conduit for future integration of technological appurtenances, linking with the Ridgway Schools, etc.

6. Cottonwood tree fencing in Rollans Park and adjoining Town Property at the river – *Jen Coates, Jared Coburn and Doug Canright*

Jared reported that Agnieszka spoke with Danny Powers to fence the trees in the park, and Danny indicated the Town has fencing for about 15 trees. Jared also indicated that some of the trees are being choked out and can

7. Contract status update for CU-Denver and design/construction of stage in Hartwell Park – *Jen Coates and Doug Canright*

Jen reported

8. Bike Rack Design and Installation Project – *Sara Ballantyne*

Jared reported that Mosaic Community Project is prepared 3 bike racks; \$600 per rack. Proposals are due January 1st, 2013. Racks are required to hold a minimum of 6 bikes, the racks will be mobile and are planned for Hartwell Park, Rollans Park and the Athletic Field. If local artists cannot meet the budget, the MCP is prepared to purchase commercially available bike racks.

Stephanie suggested supporting the MCP donated bike racks and then see if the Town needs additional bike racks from there.

VI. New Business

Jen shared with the group the Chamber's request for improvements to the Chamber building/ Railroad Museum in the area of Heritage Park for 2013 and a pending request for funding to facility painting, landscaping, irrigation and other improvements the leased area of the Town property. The initial proposed request is \$3000 of Town funds.

VII. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM.