

Breckenridge Active Living Committee meeting was held on Wednesday, December 14, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers.

Members Present: Lori Gefre, Reed Johnson, Curt Londroche, Sarah Lansing, Lori Conway (Telecom), Evie Fox, Neil Crocker, Becky Tripp

1. Call to Order

Lori G. called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

2. Approval of Minutes: Evie offered a motion to approve the minutes from the November 9, 2022, meeting. The motion was seconded by Reed and carried unanimously.

3. Safe Routes to School Engineering Update

-Update from Brian Hiles, Ulteig engineering, "We received one bid for the work from Ti-Zack Concrete from Le Center, MN. Their bid was in line with the current estimate for the work. Neil is bringing the bids and proposed award of the project to Finance and Public Utilities next week."

-Neil informed the committee that Ulteig engineering obligations are up at this point. However, Brian will be putting together an amendment to the current bid regarding additional engineering services that may be required. There will be a need for an engineer to make stake sheets on the elevations for the sidewalks. The contractors will have to meet state requirements along with the correct paperwork, due to this being a federal grant. The overall construction of this project will be overseen by city staff (Neil and Chris).

Education, Encouragement, Enforcement Update

No updates at this time.

4. Other Business

a. MnDOT Grant Available- Active Transportation:

I. Jefferson Park:

-Sarah is pretty much finished writing the grant. The resolution will need to be approved by Wilkin County and this will go before the City Council on Monday, December 19th. The grant is focusing on the benefits of these additional sidewalks, including: safe access to all amenities within Jefferson Park, a safe alternative for residents to utilize for exercise (walk, bike, run), as well as a connection for these neighborhoods to other portions of Breckenridge and the surrounding area.

II. Bois de Sioux Adventure Area:

-Sarah informed the committee that Scott did not want to move forward with the grant, due to the time frame, information/details needed and receiving some new funding.

-Committee thanked Sarah for all her work on these grants.

b. Highway 75 walk/bike path Banners:

Lori G. requested bids from three local companies (Auto Creations and Signs, Grippers Sports, and Bold Print). Grippers Sports bid is \$35 per banner. Auto Creations and Signs bid is \$103.58 per banner and stated the banner product is on back order until February. Bold Print has not been received yet. The cost per banner in 2020 was \$101.96.

-The committee discussed bringing the banners to Grippers Sports and Bold Print so they can see the current banner (material, quality, condition, coloring, etc.). Lori G. will do this in the next couple of weeks and ask if it is possible to get a sample banner. Lori G. will bring the information to the January meeting.

-In the past the banners were sold as sponsorships for \$200: March 2020 through March 2021 and \$50 for the next two years, for a total of \$300. Lori G. explained to the committee that it was some additional work to get the \$50 payments each year (invoices, mailings, phone calls, etc.). The committee decided to go forward with a one-time fee of \$300 for a three-year sponsorship. Lori G. will work on the new sponsorship form and bring it to the January meeting.

-Lori C. has been asked by the Arts Council about adding artwork to the walk/bike path. The committee would like to invite a representative to come to the January meeting.

5. New project- discussion

a. Jefferson Park-sidewalk

See above

b. Levee path

Chris has not heard anything further from the Corp of Engineers. There will need to be an engineer design ready for when a grant opportunity comes up.

c. Ideas from youth

No updates at this time.

Other

-Kris wanted to let the committee know that he is planning on a Father Daughter Dance on February 18th. There will be more details to come. If you are interested in helping with the set-up, or take down, contact Kris.

Motion by Neil to adjourn the meeting at 9:26 am. Seconded by Chris and carried unanimously.

The next Active Living Committee Meeting will be Wednesday, January 11, 2022, at 9:00 AM.