

Breckenridge Active Living Committee meeting was held on Wednesday, July 12, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers.

Members Present: Lori Gefre, Curt Londroche, Evie Fox, Chris Loehr, Shawn Roberts, Sarah Lansing, Mandy Steinberg, Reed Johnson, Shalyn Reiff (Wilkin County Health & Human Services), Neil Crocker, Kris Karlgaard, Corinna Erickson, Patrick Hollister (Telecom) & Abby Strand (Telecom- Nursing Student with Patrick)

Guests Present: Jordan Evenson (WB Area Chamber of Commerce), James Vissers (Daily News Reporter)

### 1. Call to Order

Shawn called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

2. Approval of Minutes: Reed offered a motion to approve the minutes from the June 14, 2023, meeting. The motion was seconded by Evie and carried unanimously.

### 3. Headwaters Day – Saturday, September 9, 2023, Planning

-Lori created a page on Instagram and the City of Breckenridge website for Headwaters Day.

-Lori got pricing for the rentable black movable signs from Colonial Rental. The cost would be \$300 for one month. They would put the wording on, place and remove the sign. The committee discussed that amount of time is not needed and that was a lot of the small budget we have. Neil is going to check into the cost of the other mobile sign by Jay Julson.

-Lori will check into pricing advertising with newspaper and radio and bring to next meeting.

-Curtis gave the committee an update on the Queen Royalty Program.

-Kris & Curtis discussed the parade route and plan to drive the route and hopefully come up with a solution to the “bottle necking” that happens by the Welles Memorial Park entrance.

#### a. West Central Initiative for Welcoming Week:

-Rick sent an email to Lori that stated no one would be able to attend the meeting and to let them know if any Welcome Week projects or events can coincide with this event. If so, they will need a couple of sentences about what will take place, who will be involved and an invoice for \$500 sponsorship.

-The committee discussed food options and entertainment/demonstrations that would bring a diversity component to this event. Committee members will be contacting several options that were discussed and relaying back to Lori with an update for next month's meeting.

#### b. Entertainment:

Current happenings known for the day:

*Welles Memorial Park:* Double A DJ (10am-2pm), United States Axe Throwing (11am-2pm), Miles for Max 5k in morning

*Other:* Headwater Queen Royalty Program, Breckenridge Friends of the Library-used book sale, Breckenridge Senior Center- rummage sale, CHI St. Francis- Harvest Fest, Relay for Life

If we can get some sponsors, there are several options for other entertainment.

#### c. Vendors:

Currently there are nine vendors.

#### d. Sponsors:

The committee is looking for sponsors of monetary donations and/or volunteers to be used for entertainment and advertising. Lori will send out an email to the Breckenridge businesses with this information.

#### 4. Safe Routes to School

##### a. Engineering Update

Neil updated the committee that he has been in contact with the contractor, and they plan to start the project July 24<sup>th</sup>. Ulteig Engineering will be placing staking markers along the school and asked Corinna to remind the staff and students to not remove them. Beyer Tree Service will be grinding the stumps on the west side of the school soon. City crews have been installing underground piping and wires for the crosswalk flashing beacons and gate.

##### b. Education, Encouragement, Enforcement Update

No updates currently.

#### 5. Other Business

##### a. Bicycle Friendly Communities

No updates currently.

##### b. AARP outdoor fitness parks

-Evie brought a possible grant opportunity through AARP to add an outdoor fitness park to Breckenridge that can cater to the senior population but can be used by all ages.

-Neil mentioned that grants should be paid for (or matched) by not using city funds, because the funding would come out of the Public Works budget and there are street repairs that need to be made.

#### 6. New project- discussion

##### a. Jefferson Park-sidewalk

No updates currently.

##### b. Levee path

No updates currently.

##### c. Ideas from youth

No updates currently.

-Sarah is going to contact the Breckenridge Senior Center to see if there are any ideas from the seniors in the area, or someone would like to join the meetings.

#### Other

-Breckenridge Wahpeton Swim Team is holding a Twin Town Swim Meet tonight at the Wahpeton Pool  
-National Night Out is Tuesday, August 1<sup>st</sup> at Oxcart Trail Park. Kris asked if there was anyone that would like to volunteer to contact him.

\*Patrick would like to have a booth at this event and is willing to include ALC information. Lori will bring the table and ALC material to the park.

-We Care Coalition of Breckenridge & Wilkin County has begun helping with fundraising for Phase 2 of the Twin Town Skate Park.

-Breckenridge Family Community/Teen Center has a new basketball hoop and volleyball net. These new additions have had good response and use.

-Kris asked about possibly getting a tetherball set for another addition. Mandy will look into purchasing one and possible placement.

Motion by Neil to adjourn the meeting at 10:03 am. Seconded by Kris and carried unanimously.

The next Active Living Committee Meeting will be Wednesday, August 9, 2023, at 9:00 AM.