

Pursuant to due call and proper notice thereof, a meeting of the Breckenridge Active Living Committee was held on Wednesday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers and via teleconference as authorized under MN Statute 13D.021 due to the declared state of emergency from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Members Present: Shawn Roberts, Reed Johnson, Neil Crocker, Chris Loehr, Lori Gefre, Kris Karlgaard, Evie Fox, Audra Anderson

Attendees via teleconference –Tim Peterson, Patrick Hollister

#### Call to Order

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

Approval of Minutes: Reed offered a motion to approve the minutes from the February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021, and March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021 meetings. The motion was seconded by Neil and carried unanimously.

#### Safe Routes to School

##### Engineering Update

~Justin has left Ulteig, Brian Hiles will be our contact for this project.

~Nathan with MnDOT is going over the revised plan that was submitted. If Nathan approves the new plan, there will need to be a 30 day comment period for the public as well as a notice in the newspaper. There will be 3 houses on Hall Avenue that will be effected due to new sidewalks being placed. Those homeowners will be responsible for snow removal and maintenance of the sidewalks once they are installed (per city ordinance).

~Neil did inform the committee that this revised plan was reviewed with the Public Works committee and was offered a motion to proceed. However, the motion failed due to lack of a second.

~Shawn reminded the committee of all things that have already been changed for the safety of the children, such as the school buses moving the pick-up/drop-off location, addition of the walk/bike path on Hall Ave, and education in the classroom. This is just the next step in the grant process.

#### Education, Encouragement, Enforcement Update

No updates at this time.

#### Activities / Improvements for Breckenridge:

##### 1. Dog Park

##### Fundraising:

Total funds raised is \$35,348; no change since last month. The GoFundMe account has been changed to a goal of \$45,000, which is an update from \$35,000, due to the increased cost of building material. This will be continued to be added to the Public Utilities newsletter and social media.

##### Signage:

Signs are here and ready to be installed.

##### Bike Rack- PartnerSHIP 4 Health:

~Lori has emailed Ralph to check on the status of the Bike Rack. The response that came this morning was "The bike rack is in welding now and then off to paint. If we have the correct color it will be done end of this week."

~Patrick reminded us (regarding the grant) to pay MedPack directly, and PartnerSHIP 4 Health will reimburse the City once they receive the invoice and final paperwork.

~The city has received 5 bike racks from Wahpeton Bus Barn, and Neil asked the committee if they were aware of where they are needed. The committee discussed the current locations of bike racks

throughout the City. After discussion, Kris offered for the Police Department to take photos of the current locations of bike racks. This will help determine if, and where, to add bike racks. Neil is having a volunteer paint water hydrants this summer, and he will have them paint these bike racks also. Lori will email MedPack to see if we can get the color specifications to replicate the color.

#### Fencing:

~The initial quote from Dakota Fence was for 550' with 5' high fencing and was around \$19,000. Neil did a more accurate measurement of the fencing needed with the separation of small and large area, and it came up to 753'. A new quote was received from Dakota Fencing for 800' of 6' fencing, 4 4' walk gates and 2 10' double drive gates in the amount of \$39,126. Neil got a second quote with 753' of 6' fencing, 4 4' walk gates and 2 10' double drive gates in the amount of \$22,732. The difference in fencing needs are for separation of small & large dogs, separate staging area for both dog sizes and fence height. These items have evolved after gaining more information on what works best in existing dog parks.

~Reed offered a motion to continue as is with the current fencing layout. Seconded by Neil and carried unanimously

~ Reed offered a motion to accept the quote for \$22,732 from Century Fence Company. Seconded by Kris and carried unanimously

#### Direction Signs- PartnerSHIP 4 Health:

~The committee discussed the font(s) to be on each sign and the different options of clip art to be on the disc golf and pickleball signs. Lori will make the changes to include the correct arrows to be placed at each of the 5 locations that were agreed upon at a past meeting. Those 5 locations are Wilkin Ave & Hwy 75 N, Beede Ave & Hwy 75 N, Beede Ave & 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Nebraska Ave & Hwy 75 N, Dacotah Ave & Hwy 75 N. There will be a total of 20 signs: 5 Dog Park, 5 Aquatic Center, 5 Pickleball Courts, 5 Disc Golf Course.

~These signs will be paid for by PartnerSHIP 4 Health. The funding request form will need to be submitted to PartnerSHIP 4 Health along with the final sign design and price sheet.

~Lori will get the signs ordered and form filled out.

#### Headwaters Day 2021:

There was only one group that expressed interested at this time in having an event this year. Lisa from Wahpeton Breckenridge Chamber of Commerce said they are still anticipating having the parade. Due to Breckenridge School starting on Tuesday, September 7<sup>th</sup> and this event being only a few days later, we want to get the word out to the school staff, post prom committee, Booster Clubs, band, choir, etc. so they have time to make plans for an event and/or fundraiser. Lori will send out an email to the Breckenridge Schools and St. Mary's with this information.

#### Other Business:

~Someone was questioning on social media what the status is of continuing onto stage 2 of the Twintown Skate Park. There was little discussion; Char Schuler was the one that organized the park. There was discussion regarding possibly having the Family Community Center Staff remind the kids to pick up after themselves. There has been noticeable garbage at the Skate Park and around the FCC. Lori will mention this to Mandy.

~OSPTI 5k Walk/Run will be Wednesday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, starting at 6pm

~ Bike/Walk to school and/or work day is May 5<sup>th</sup>. Having a bike rodeo on this day is still unknown

~Chief Karlgaard is optimistic that the Breckenridge Police Department will be able to hold National Night Out, which would be August 3<sup>rd</sup>

Motion by Reed to adjourn the meeting at 10:03am. Seconded by Kris. The next Active Living Committee Meeting will be Wednesday, May 12<sup>h</sup>, 2021 at 9:00 AM.