

Breckenridge Active Living Committee meeting was held on Wednesday, June 8, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers.

Members Present: Shawn Roberts, Lori Gefre, Reed Johnson, Patrick Hollister (Telecom), Tim Peterson, Kris Karlgaard, Becky Tripp, Curt Londroche, Sarah Lansing, Lori Conway, Neil Crocker

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 May 11, 2022, meeting. The motion was seconded by Sarah and carried unanimously.

Safe Routes to School

Engineering Update

-Update from Brian Hiles, Ulteig Engineering, "I have been in contact with MNDOT on the funding. Based on this I would recommend we put the project on hold for this summer and then rebid sometime this fall. That will get us a contractor under contract early and will help with procurement of the crossing signals and gates. All the work would then be done between Memorial Day and Labor Day next year. Hopefully the bidding climate will stabilize by this fall also."

-Neil informed the committee that the project is put on hold for now. There were no bids that were submitted. There has been approval from MN DOT for the grant funding to be carried over and for the project to be done in 2023. This project will go out for bids again in the fall.

Education, Encouragement, Enforcement Update

No updates at this time.

Activities / Improvements for Breckenridge:

1. Dog Park

Bench Donation:

There was an email contact from Tony with Rotary regarding payment for a bench. Lori G. emailed him back on May 19th the specific bench and plaque that is in the City to try and keep a uniform look throughout. Tony has called and stated that he was ordering the bench and will be having it delivered to the city shop.

Accessories- Update:

No updates at this time.

Headwaters Day, Saturday, September 10, 2022- Planning:

1. Ideas & Examples for Planning

-Lori G has send out another email to the businesses, churches, local groups, organizations and past vendors inviting them to participate in the event.

- Lisa and Lori G have continued to use social media and monthly newsletters to promote this event.

-Curtis informed the committee that he has volunteer's set-up for traffic control for the parade (Welles Park entrance). Curtis is also continuing to work on the Queen Pageant.

-Committee discussed the current wet conditions at Welles Park. There are many areas throughout the park that are not in very good condition. It is too early to discuss an alternative location.

Other Business:

1. AARP Community Challenge Grant

Our application was not selected for funding. There were 3200 applications submitted. So, there will not be any individual feedback to applicants.

-National Night Out: August 2nd from 5:00-7:00pm at OxCart Trail Park

-Wilkin County Fair: August 18th-21st in Welles Memorial Park

-Mountain Bike Trail update: There has been a preliminary walk through done at the Pope Street site. There are areas that are currently still under water. Therefore, work has not been started at the trail. They are working on a project plan which will include signage and parking. This project plan is being requested for some donation opportunities. Once there is a date and time set for clean-up this committee will receive an email with that information.

2. New project- discussion

-Adding sidewalks around the two south diamonds (as the photo included in agenda packet) is approximately 1960 feet. The committee discussed adding a sidewalk between those diamonds. People are currently using that route to get to concessions, bathrooms, etc. Patrick explained two grants that will be coming up in the fall that could possibly be used for this type of project. The grants are Transportation Alternative Grant (20% match required) and a new State Infrastructure Grant (no cash match required). Patrick will keep us posted on the grants.

Motion by Neil to adjourn the meeting at 10:06 am. Seconded by Kris. The next Active Living Committee Meeting will be Wednesday, July 13, 2022 at 9:00 AM.