

# Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Trails Advisory Committee Meeting Date: May 21, 2013 Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Sequoia Room, Fanno Creek Service Center, Beaverton, Oregon

#### In Attendance

Committee Members Present: Chair Tom Hjort, Mary O'Donnell, John Gruher, Kevin

O'Donnell, John Ratliff (Beaverton Bicycle Advisory Committee

Rotating Member)

Ex-Officio Committee Members Present: Joy Chang (Washington County)

THPRD Staff: Gery Keck

Visitors: Calin Gherghe (North Bethany Resident), Elaine Woods, Steve

Szigethy, Washington County Senior Planner

Absent: Kevin Apperson

#### I. Welcome

Chair Tom Hjort called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

#### II. Introduction of Guests/Visitors:

Guests introduced themselves.

#### III. Approval of April Meeting Minutes and Volunteer Hours for April:

**MOTION** made (Kevin) and seconded (Mary) for approval of the April meeting minutes with minor revisions. Unanimous vote in favor of the motion.

The volunteer hours sheet was passed around and each member recorded their April hours.

#### IV. Announcements:

- A. Ribbon cutting of Rock Creek Trail in Hillsboro attended by Tom and John.
- B. Metro trails fair attended by Tom. Tom reported it to be very productive meeting
- C. Tom, John, and Kevin attended Westside Trail open house.
- D. Tom reported work is happening on the upper Fanno Creek Trail signage.

# V. Washington County Transportation System Plan Update (Steve Szigethy, Washington County Senior Planner)

Steve handed out the Active Transportation policy proposal. Looking for comments and feedback on this. Washington County looking at trail classifications. TAC suggested using THPRD standards.

## VI. Staff Update on Trails Projects:

#### A. Bond Measure Trails Update

- i. **Westside Trail**: Segments 1, 4, 7 will be completed by Brown Construction pending final contract approval. Timeline is to complete by end of September.
- ii. **Waterhouse Trail**: Segments 1, 5, and West Spur bids going to Board of Directors for approval. Pending approval, work would start in July.
- iii. **North Bethany Trail**: Letter sent out today stating delay of 3-4 years before work will resume. On June 4 there will be a Washington County open house at Bethany Presbyterian Church about proposed design of Springville Road upgrades.
- iv. Fanno Creek Trail. Final segment has asphalt and concrete in place now.

#### B. MTIP Funding

- i. **Westside Trail Segment 18**: Early design work is in process. Agricultural easements have been cleared.
- ii. **Fanno Creek Trail/Hall Boulevard At-Grade Crossing**: Working on IGA with City of Beaverton. Construction would be managed by THPRD.

#### VII. Partner Jurisdiction Updates:

#### A. Washington County:

- i. Joy handed out maps of the Tualatin Valley Scenic Bikeway which was approved for funding.
- ii. Grant of \$1.4 million approved for Railraod ROW acquisition from Hagg Lake to McMinnville.
- iii. Minor Betterments: Small scale improvements. Have until July 15 to submit proposals.
- iv. Oregonian published economic benefits of bicycle tourism.

# B. Beaverton Bicycle Advisory Committee – John Ratliff

- i. Beaverton actively looking at alternate route for bikes instead of Canyon Road.
- ii. According to engineers, bikes in the center of a traffic lane will be detected by cameras to change the light.
- iii. Bike Beaverton map has been released. Event will be held September 8.

#### C. City of Beaverton – Margaret

i. No report.

#### VIII. Trails Report for THPRD Activities Guide

Suggestions for Fall report. Use Board report as input. Waterhouse Trail updates (Board memo as possible input). Maps would be a possibility. Update on other trails. Discuss trails in existing nature parks. New trail maps available.

#### IX. Challenge Grant Funds:

\$4,800 has been used for maps. \$2,700 is still available for Committee assignment. Proposals were trail counters (\$1,700) and a gas powered wheelbarrow. Motion made (Kevin) and seconded (John) to put the entire \$2,700 toward a motorized wheelbarrow. Motion approved unanimously.

#### Annual Calendar 2013:

Updated calendar distributed.

#### **Initiatives to Increase TAC Committee Membership:**

Motion made (John) and seconded (Mary) to recommend Elaine Woods as a member of the Committee. Motion passed unanimously. Motion made (John) and seconded (Mary) to recommend John Ratliff as a member of the Committee. Motion passed unanimously.

## X. Next Meeting will be held on June 18, 2013, 7:00 p.m. at the Fanno Creek Service Center.

Meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Gruher

Recording Secretary, Rotating