# Beaverhead Trails Coalition Board of Directors Meeting

# May 25th, 2023, 5:30 – 7:00pm

**BTC Board Members Present:** Dan Downey, Ed Mooney, Joyce Connors, Alan Weltzien, Celine Beaucamp, Pam Laursen

**BTC Guests Present:** Bill Laursen, Pat Carrick, Stephen Sievert

**Executive Director Present:** Brandon Parker

**AGENDA**

1. Call Meeting to Order 5:37
2. Review/Approve Minutes from the April 20th, 2023, meeting.

* Change Noble St to Normal St. Minutes approved.

1. Treasurer’s Report
   1. Joyce gave the Treasurer’s report for April.



1. Grants Update
   1. Union Pacific: Kathleen started grant application. The grant doesn’t feel like a good fit at the time. They want you to spend the money that they give you in that year with a final report at the end. Reconsider applying for the grant this year. Wait to apply until we hear about the TA grant for Normal St. bridge.
   2. High Stakes Foundation: They are planning a site visit June 21st: Joyce will organize the site visit and take them around to all our projects. We are asking for $2900/year for operating expenses for 3 years to replace the grazing lease that is up in October.
   3. TA Grant: Sent to Mayor, a reminder has been sent to the city for reimbursement for the grant writing. We could hear a grant update in 3-4 weeks; however, June-July is most likely.
2. Committee Reports
   1. High Trails 
      1. Dan is meeting with Tim Anderson on Sat at 11am at Cenex to look at land bridge to plan the fence.
      2. High Trails trailhead kiosk was discussed. The old is starting to look weather-worn and could use a replacement. Contacted Fred Bridger about designing a new kiosk and a quote. The new kiosk will likely have 3 panels with a roof.
   2. Bench Committee
      1. Dan reported that Andrea’s bench was installed on May 6th by bluebird junction.
      2. Next bench installation is scheduled for June 6th. 12 people are coming from The Wilderness Society and 4 cadets from the Youth Challenge.
      3. Need to start planning for Tim and Cathy’s bench. They want bench to face 2 directions. Plan to install the bench in August/September.
   3. In-Town Trails
      1. The Noble Ave Sign was installed on April 29th.
      2. Ed discussed the Noble/Skihi and Beaver Pride Trail signage and specifications.
      3. Had a willow cutting workday on May 5th in preparation for the new bike lane.
      4. Park Street/ Ten Mile Rd Sign Purchase: Ed discussed sign options, in town committee made recommendations on sign placement.
         1. Park St.
            1. Just West of Madison St.
            2. East of the Beaverhead River Bridge
         2. Ten Mile Rd.
            1. West of the Beaverhead River Bridge
            2. Near Wheat’s entry
            3. Near the High Trails Trailhead
      5. Next meeting July 13th at 6pm
3. Board Actions
   1. Approve to withdraw from submitting to the Union Pacific Grant: Celine made motion, Ed seconds, motion passed.
   2. Park Street/ Ten Mile Rd Sign Purchase: use unrestricted funds on signs for approximately $1,000: Alan made motion, Celine seconds, motion passed.
4. Other items
   1. TWS Meeting: TWS will be in Dillon on June 6th, they will help install the cliff bench as a service project. Joyce might take them to the Land Bridge for a visit.
   2. BTC Summer Program and Event Schedule
      1. Brandon discussed the summer program schedule. Will send out updated schedule with event times to the board.
   3. Earth Day Recap (April 22nd)
      1. Brandon presented on the Earth Day cleanup on Park St/ 10 Mile rd.
         1. 38 volunteers attended, 49 bags of trash were collected, and1.9 miles of roadways were cleared of trash.
   4. T-shirt count and future order
      1. Brandon presented the status of the BTC t-shirt stock.
         1. Will Discuss further later in the year so we have plenty of shirts before giving Tuesday.
5. Next Meeting will be on June 22nd.
6. Meeting Adjourned: 6:57pm