

City of Hailey Parks and Lands Board

Meeting Minutes July 24, 2024

Board Attendees: Penny Thayer, Bob Wiederrick, Lamar Waters, Kitty Miner

Attendees: Burton Yuen (GGLO), Mark Sindell (GGLO), Ben Young (BYLA), Samantha Stahmaker (Project Engineer), Brent Jacobsen (BYLA), Bowen Chai (BYLA)

Staff: Brian Yeager, Robyn Davis, Emily Williams

Call to Order: 5:03PM

Approval of Meeting Minutes, Bob makes motion to approve minutes, Karen second, pass unanimously.

New Business:

Hop Porter Stage Update:

- Mark Sindell presented an updated plan for the Hop Porter Park Stage.
 - Sindell noted that the plan is to begin construction immediately following the Hailey Rocks Concert Series, which ends 8/22/24
 - This phase of the stage is planned to include:
 - A perimeter concrete mow strip around stage, paver landing at the base of the front of the stage, stage is elevated 28", 26ft by 20ft stage, decorative concrete slab for base, access stairs on both sides of the stage, CME backdrop to provide advertising
 - This initial construction phase includes construction of the base, the rest of the stage will be constructed at a later date and the base is being made with the ability to add the backing and overhead structure later, base will include steps and be ADA accessible
 - Stage plans include light bar and speakers built in to accommodate performances
 - Base will have electrical to it, but ability to utilize electrical won't be added until the spring
 - Project partially funded by Kiwanis, WRWF, City, and Webb Landscape
- Board had no further comment, approved design unanimously, and asked that GGLO move forward

Sunbeam Phase II

- Robyn provided background on Sunbeam Phase II Park, which the Board initially was informed of in March of 2024.
- Applicant team presented on features of the park, applicant noted that Developer is happy with the existing park, and has a goal of providing continuity between Curtis, Sunbeam Phase I and Sunbeam Phase II, noted goal of connecting open green space
- Ben Young of BYLA, provided background on existing Phase I Park – which includes small soccer field with goals, 10ft wide asphalt pathway through Park and connection to WR Trail, park has small sledding hill, two picnic tables, ADA concrete path to get to picnic tables.

- Phase II
 - Activate a loop throughout new phase of park that connects to existing park, add another small loop around existing small play lawn on east side of park, create a winding pedestrian trail with different grading and contours, opportunities for discovery and adventure around the north portion of the park to connect activities
 - The plan is for the Park to be water conscious but to create active areas in center of park with play lawn components. This plan includes the addition of shade trees around the perimeter of the park
 - Developer will build a functional, timber frame pavilion at the core of the park
 - Developer has determined recommended areas for future programming that the City will have the opportunity to develop
 - Applicant expressed interest in determining a restroom location, where a concrete pad would be poured to house a wooden enclosure for portapotties, with the potential to expand services if there is an event
 - The plan outlines space for food trucks to north of gravel parking area
 - Penny expressed appreciation of existing pathways and plantings, asked if there could be a way to slow traffic along San Badger Drive
 - Bob asked for informal parking along Carbonate Street
 - Karen mentioned need to address elk in this park, the trees proposed for this park are being selected for elk hardiness, longterm season by season need to address wildlife
 - Penny asked for general timeline for this process - P&Z meeting in August to present overall subdivision plan, with park included, potential to begin construction in summer/fall 2025 for infrastructure
 - Penny noted that inclusive swings, including toddler, handicapped, and belt seats would be appreciated at this park
 - Robyn thanked applicant team for going above and beyond to plan this park
 - Applicant team has provided master plan for park, pathway connectivity, and pavilion structure – applicant team has met all of the criteria laid out by staff
 - Lamar makes a motion to approve the master plan of Phase II and the improvements as presented by the applicant team as, seconded by Kitty, unanimously in favor.

Next agenda:

- Skate Park
 - Pavers at center island
 - Concrete pad under picnic tables
 - Shade structure
 - Discussion of bleacher placement
 - Need for parent area for folks to watch their children in the scooter area
 - Contract with McDowell Skateparks to do repairs, and have a local contractor do pavers in the middle of the park, working on cost estimate, to bring them in for 3 days worth of work to tune up park

- Lamar expressed desire for concrete not pavers in the middle of the park to create skating feature. Brian has concern between the two sides of the park and allowing kids to go back and forth, pavers is better than dirt, but not for skating. Kitty questioned whether it is safer to have pavers in the middle of the park to keep scooters out of the deep bowls of the park. Bob asked if there could be a hybrid system where there is a shade structure paver area to discourage skating where kids are hanging out, how do we balance keeping park safe with desire of users to skate should we continue to discuss this at on site meeting? Should it be a buffer in between bowls and shallower area
- Lamar suggested a hybrid solution with pavers around valves etc, to be able to get to things, and everything else would be concrete.
- Old Cutters
 - Board recommended an ADA compliant swing and a bucket seat at Old Cutters Park
 - Board recommended adding an ADA compliant swing at Keefer Park

Meeting adjourned at 6:59