

Grand County Trail Mix Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 8th 2018
Grand Center, Moab, Utah
PRELIMINARY

Present: Paul Spencer, Aaron Lindberg, Sharon Hogan, Scott Escott, Tyson Swasey, Rani Derasary, Tom Dillon, Stephen Schultz, Katie Stevens, Evan Clapper, Kirstin Peterson, Zacharia Levine

Absent: Tif Miller, Kim Schappert, Marc Thomas, Brian Murdock, Brett Sutteer

Guests: Michael Liss, Elizabeth Eliason, Darcey Brown

Meeting Called to Order at 11:00 am

Approval Of Minutes:

Rani motioned to approve April minutes; Sharon seconded, passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: (Sharon Hogan)

Total income in 2018 through 4/30/18: \$8,081.23

Expenditures in 2018 through 4/30/18: \$24,423.54

General Fund Balance: \$53,456.18

Income since last report :

- \$300.00 Donation from a trail user, Gene Hamilton from Tempe AZ
- \$500.00 Donation from Mark Sevenoff, of Western Spirit Cycling and Outerbike promoter
- \$446.00 Donation from the TransRockies Moab Rocks mountain bike race fundraiser
- \$554.00 Donation from Poison Spider Bicycles to Match the TransRockies Donation (and round it up to a total of \$1000.00)

4/30/18 figures are subject to change pending CNHA verification of income and expenditures.

Trail Mix Business:

Maddie Logowitz is going before Moab city council asking for funding of maintenance of trails. The city has raised interest in Trail Mix advising the city on bike lanes and paths; this however runs contrary to Trail Mix's charter of only managing non-paved, non-motorized surfaces. Scott brought up fact that Trail Mix is already at maximum capacity and would need more money and more employees. Zacharia Levine sees an opportunity as there is lots of funding available for paved paths and perhaps there needs to be a city or county paid position to manage infrastructure. Tyson Swasey said there was perhaps time for Trail Mix to help city in the winter months. After discussion, Zacharia motioned to for drafting a change language in the Trail Mix charter. Sharon seconded and was unanimously approved.

County Update: (Zacharia Levine, Evan Clapper)

Zacharia made a mid-year budget request on behalf of Trail Mix for a pick-up truck. He is also trying to find an office and storage space for Trail Mix and discussed various possibilities of locations, including the Recycling Center, the Senior Center, the county Bus Barn, behind the County maintenance shop and behind the Spanish Trail Arena.

Zacharia also requested funding to continue the Spanish Valley pathway project.

BLM Update: (Katie Stevens)

Katie reminds us that Dave's trail is not a legal trail, but continues to be in the Travel Council's promotional video, and footage of trail needs to be removed.

The Jackson trail reroute off the Amasa back trail system will not need a Fish and Wildlife or archaeological consultation, which will save significant time and resources.

Tyson gave details of the proposed reroute of the connector between Pipe Dream trail and Jackson Street to BLM; all studies and surveys will be covered by the BLM retention pond project there.

The Red Onion trail received its plant survey clearance and now awaits its archaeological survey clearance.

The Granary climbing accessing has received its archaeological clearance with a couple of minor reroutes.

The NICA race route is under review. They have their course running opposite of recommended travel direction. Trail Mix requested that the county withhold their permit signature until there are changes in race course.

Kirsten says she is working with Andy Platt to make MTA style maps for San Juan County.

Forest Service Update: (absent)

Sharon has been in contact with Brian Murdock on the details of a potential \$10,000 in matching Forest Service funds for trail work.

Trail Report: (Maddie Logowitz, Scott Escott, Tyson Swasey)

Maddie presented maintenance photos from Pipe Dream and Navajo Rocks. She is closing grant work commitments on the Granary and Sylvester Trail. The Grand County High School mountain bike team helped with work on the North 40 trail. The Colorado Rock Mountain school also helped her and Tyson with trail work and maintenance. Maddie also worked with furthering the Red Onion trail project with the BLM.

A proposal for the Amasa Back Singletrack connector trail was presented. The trail addresses several issues, including safety and reducing multiple trails. A motion to submit the proposal to BLM was made by Evan, seconded by Sharon and passed unanimously.

Biking Report: (Aaron Lindberg)

Aaron reported that he rode the "NASCAR route" on the Mag 7 and Navajo rocks trail systems. Visitors are increasing using this route and could be a viable shuttle ride if it could connect with Mill Canyon non-motorized path. This could reduce parking at the Navajo Rocks and Mag 7 parking areas which are running beyond capacity on weekends.

Water at Westwater ranger station was requested for people using the Kokopelli trail. The BLM filtration system there is under repair and will hopefully be back in operation soon.

Aaron visited the Enduro Cup race and reported that parking was haphazard with soil destruction at the trail head.

Bike shops have been receiving more and more questions on ebikes.

Climbing/Canyoneering Report: (Maddie for Brett Sutteer)

Brett went to County Council to request from UDOT to reexamine speed limit on Potash Rd. The Intrepid Mine was confused on Trail Mix's stance on speed limit and contacted Maddie; they thought Trail Mix was suggesting a 25 mile per hour speed limit on all of the road. It was clarified that Trail Mix supports improved climber safety; that could be addressed by rerouting the road, or a physical barrier between climbers and road, or a reduction in speed in the immediate vicinity of the "Wall Street" climbing area.

Ski Report: (Kirsten Peterson)

Kirsten says that grooming is complete for season in the La Sals. They will also need a new sled in future and may get grant from Forest Service.

Equestrian Report: (Stephen Schultz)

Stephen says he has been getting great feedback from the Courthouse Rock Corral, and that additional signs are almost done.

Citizens to be heard:

Michael Liss reports that Grand County has a transportation study committee that he is a part of. He will be attending Trail Mix meetings and welcomes input. They will be looking at the larger scope of transportation in Moab and Grand County.

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Aaron, seconded by Sharon and passed unanimously.