

COLORADO RIVERFRONT COMMISSION
683-4333

Urban Trails Committee

Minutes
April 9, 2013

Called to Order

Meeting was called to order at 5:30pm by co-chair, Biz Collins. Those present from the Committee were:

Julie Sabin Biz Collins Scott McBayer Craig Richardson

Also present were Jody Kliska with the City of Grand Junction, Libby Collins with Mesa Land Trust and Michele Rohrbach.

Approval of Minutes – Scott/Julie. Motion passed.

Announcements – Earth Day at Mesa County Library – Julie, Biz and Ilana with Mesa Land Trust will be doing a presentation on April 22nd. Safety issues, safe routes to school, organizations and how to get involved.

Las Colonias presentation at May RFC meeting.

Old Business –

Development Review – Craig will give a lesson to the group next month.

Share the Road – digital billboard is up at east of 28 Road on I-70B.

There was no further old business.

New Business – Libby with Mesa Land Trust (MLT) updated the group on the Monument Road vision. Building on the support of the Three Sisters Project. Three landowners have approached MLT about purchasing their property. One would like to put a conservation easement on their property. Want to work with others that have already worked on trail alignment (Trent Prall with City, Bill Taylor with Mesa County and UTC). Will be meeting with various groups over the next couple of months. Developing vision over the summer.

Master Plan Approval – Want to have an open house in May (16th or 23rd) then go to planning committee workshops, City Council, County Commissioners and Town Board. (Multi-purpose Room 4:00pm to 6:00pm or 4:00pm to 7:00pm).

Recruiting new members – everyone needs to be heavily recruiting new members.

29 Road safety concerns – crossing 29 Road from C ½ Road. Issue discussed at trail summit and RFC received an email about safety concerns from a dad trying to cross with his family. Temporary solutions won't make the situation better.

Prioritized road for sweeping – Jim Nall with Mesa County asked the group to come up with a prioritized list.

RFC workshop follow up – Master Plan approval and whether to become a commission.

Where does UTC go from here? Group feels need to get new members first and then do more research. Concerns about other trails group popping up – County's new Built Environment, UTC will participate and Grand Valley Bikes and Grand Valley Trail Alliance.

Public Comment – Jody updated on Bike Share. Todd with GVT will contact B Share and another company to come and talk to the group including Grand Valley Bikes and CMU.

Julie asked Jody about the TAC (Technical Advisory Committee) and should UTC be involved. Todd felt that probably not since there is so much other business covered that no one would want to continue.

Adjournment – 6:50pm.