May 2021 Membership Meeting

Virtual Meeting – 13 May 2021

Barber Pool Conservation Area
Photo Courtesy of Idaho Foundation for Parks and Lands
Monthly Meeting Agenda – 13 May 2021

- Short Agenda!!

- Updates on the Following Projects:
  - Development
    - Harris East (Council Springs Rd) & Hermosa Hills (2350 S. Pheasant Lane) & JKAF Fieldhouse
  - Parks and Trails
  - Transportation

- Volunteer Opportunity – Warm Springs Avenue Cleanup

- Open Discussion
Meeting Summary 1

• 8 of 10 board members in attendance
  • Absent: Stark (vacation), Santillan (work)

• Delayed start time (7:30pm) due to Albertson’s Family Foundation meeting scheduled at 6pm in the Marianne Williams Park shelter

• Only 3 neighbors in attendance

• Director and Officer Insurance
  • BVNA Treasurer Hank Vincent researched policies and payment resources. The City Energize office noted this type of NA cost is exactly why they established the NA mini-grant program. The board voted unanimously to purchase an annual “Non-Profit Directors and Officers Liability” policy from Moreton & Company. Annual cost will be funded by the City and estimated in the 28 April quote as $775 with a coverage limit of $1,000,000.
Meeting Summary 2

• BVNA is not registered as a non-profit organization. The BVNA Board voted to begin the process to register as a 501(c)3. Costs associated will be submitted to the City in another mini-grant request under the Energize office (https://www.cityofboise.org/programs/energize/neighborhood-investment/)

• New Neighbor Outreach: With the growing BV population, BVNA discussed how to better reach new neighbors.

• New Members: how to reach them? Tasks were assigned:
  • John will contact Courtney regarding outreach to developers of the new construction in the valley (e.g., Haystack & Eno Condos)
  • Gary will update the BVNA welcome letter
  • Larry is working to update the HOA contact roster that may be used to reach new neighbors through HOA communications
  • Katie will research opportunities to post more brochures in BV business locations (e.g., The Stil, Lucky 13).
  • Steve will research opportunity to include BVNA info at the Harris Ranch postal pavilion
Meeting Summary 3

• “Business Associate” program. Previous outreach from local businesses (The STIL and Saltzer Health) motivated BVNA discussion on establishing a program that many other Neighborhood Associations have developed
  • Hank volunteered to coordinate with Courtney to refine the draft business sponsorship document that she provided
  • Board discussion focused on ensuring a simple program with a more ‘passive’ focus

• Harris Ranch Elementary Coordination
  • Letter from Boise School District to Barber Valley neighbors announcing the school planning status is expected the afternoon of 14 May

• New BVNA Sign Topper Damaged (Teresa Drive): Thanks to Hank for recognizing the sign topper was damaged by the Finis Terra construction crews. Fortunately, he was able to retrieve the sign and is storing it until BVNA can coordinate with ACHD to re-install the topper
  • Kay will coordinate with the City (Nikki Drake in the Energize Office) to re-install the topper
It’s Springtime and it’s getting STILL busy!!
Development Topics – May 2021

Hermosa Hills

Harris East

J.A. and Kathryn Albertsons Family Foundation Fieldhouse
Development

Harris East

Gary Veasy, BVNA Director
Harris East Update

• Project (Hillside and Subdivision applications) reviewed by P&Z on May 3
• BVNA presented written and verbal testimony regarding:
  ✓ Trailhead parking amenities
  ✓ Turnaround at trailhead
  ✓ Temporary parking restrictions on Council Springs during construction
  ✓ ACHD traffic counts and project impact on Council Springs and WSA
  ✓ Peace Valley Overlook connection to Homestead Trail details
  ✓ Hillside Restoration/seeding
  ✓ Rockfall Protection
  ✓ Engineering focus on drainage
  ✓ Public access to Homestead trail during construction
  ✓ Headlight impacts on 4 Council Springs neighbors
Harris East Update

Results
• Hillside application was approved unanimously, as recommended by staff, and appeal period has lapsed
• Subdivision application was approved unanimously, as recommended by staff, with the addition of one condition that the developer provide visual shielding of headlights to the extent possible from cars driving downhill on the 4 properties backing up to the Council Springs road extension

Next Steps
• Council hearing for the subdivision application - date TBD (likely June)
• BVNA will continue to work on open issues with developer, neighbors, and agencies (city planning and ACHD)
Development

Hermosa Hills (previously known as Pheasant Heights)
And... J.A. & Kathryn Albertson Family Foundation Fieldhouse Campus Build
2350 S. Pheasant Lane
John Mooney, BVNA Director
Hermosa Hills
Hermosa Hills

• Previously approved subdivision and annexation in 2018
• Subdivision Preliminary Plat Approved by City Council 11 May

Excerpt from City Planning Department Project Report for City Council:

Lot 11 is left as a common lot, but not specifically identified as open space. A recommended condition would require the applicant to add a plat note to that effect and record a blanket public access/parks easement for the entirety of the lot. Eventually, a public trail is planned on this lot, logistics for funding, placement, construction, and maintenance would be a joint effort by the property owner, neighbors, Ridge to Rivers, and the Parks Department.

The Barber Valley Neighborhood Association submitted a letter of support for the proposal and one neighbor spoke during the public hearing expressing concerns that the subdivision would impact a colony of Marmots which live in the area.

CONCLUSION & RECOMMENDATION
After minimal deliberation, the Commission unanimously recommended approval of the preliminary plat during their April 12, 2021 hearing.
44. To reduce the noise impact of construction on nearby residential properties, all exterior construction activities shall be limited to the hours between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. for Saturday and Sunday. Low noise impact activities such as surveying, layout and weather protection may be performed at any time. After each floor of the structure or building is enclosed with exterior walls and windows, interior construction of the enclosed floors can be performed at any time.
J.A. & Kathryn Albertson Family Foundation

- Fieldhouse Project – Neighborhood Meeting 13 May 6pm
- BVNA Board previewed JKAF plans 29 April
- “Campus Build Program”
  - On behalf of: Mission 43 and Challenged Athletes Foundation
    - https://www.mission43.org/
    - https://www.challengedathletes.org/
- 8 parcels adjacent to the Greenbelt between Park Place (next slide)
- Future public hearing will be a Design Review in accordance the Barber Valley Specific Plan (SP-02)
  - Limited public interaction on Design Reviews
  - Possible request from JKAF to seek approval for reduced parking (below the “required” number of parking stalls) to accommodate larger parking stalls for expected Challenged Athlete visitors
Barber Valley Neighborhood Association
Parks & Trails Update
Alta Harris Park Status -- Update

- Much the same as in October 2020 and in April 2021.

- Correspondence with Jennifer Tomlinson (Boise Parks Supervisor/Sr Manager):
  
  - What is now different is that park construction would not commence until 2024 or 25 and is dependent on funding

  - The capital plan is on a ten-year planning cycle and is updated every five years

- Boise Parks & Rec priorities: focusing on investing in current assets: Concrete path replacements on the Greenbelt (>2 mi); adding restrooms; ADA compliant rubber surfacing for children; replacing aging shelters; Bowler Park establishment ongoing

- BVNA plans to push for a safe crossing (Rapid Flashing Beacon) with ACHD at E Arrow Junction Dr & Eckert
Boise River Wildlife Management Area

- Recent chagrin on the part of mountain bikers on grading of Lucky Peak Rd (Trail #8)
- Krista Biorn, WMA Manager explained:
  - Normally this road is not graded, had additional funding this year
  - The grading effort was not announced or well coordinated with R2R, so it caught many riders by surprise
  - Instead of a road grader, a dozer was used which caused softening and widening of the road surface; difficult access for road grader (due to steepness?)
  - In next years, expect grading on Highland Valley Rd from Hwy 21 to archery range in April-May
  - Road maintenance is iffy and dependent on just right moisture conditions – difficult to hit it just right
  - Very steep grades ( %) and granitic soils (grus) are difficult to form solid road base
  - Funding for road maintenance is limited from year to year
  - Extra large waterbars (to divert runoff and prevent rilling and washouts) were put in place
Field reconnaissance by S. Moore on 5/12/21 shows improved compaction of Lucky Pk Rd #8

- Riders complained while grading was in progress
- Steep grades up to 15%+
- BVNA continues to work with IDFW for improved communication
- Exercise patience in April-May with road maintenance efforts
Adjacent Warm Springs Mesa NA – Starview Drive

- BVNA continues to have interest in connecting trails from Barber Valley to Warm Springs Mesa
- Current priority is the design and rebuild of Starview
- An April 28 meeting with WSMNA and ACHD: ACHD Commissioners agreed with neighbors that Developer M3 must abide by the 2018 Development agreement (and not alternative design offered by M3 to cause less aggressive excavations to the hillside)
- Long process to rebuild Starview to accommodate sidewalk, gutter improvements, widened hairpin turn, improved pedestrian crossing on Warm Springs Avenue
Transportation

Rob Stark, BVNA Director
Warm Springs Closure Until 15 May

ACHD RITA: https://www.achdidaho.org/Departments/PR/Rita.aspx
Miscellaneous Topics
Highway Cleanup – Warm Springs Avenue

• BVNA is hosting its first annual Barber Valley Highway Clean. Please consider joining us on this 2.6-mile route along Warm Springs to assist in improving our community. Adults, kids, and puppies are welcome.
  • **When:** June 5<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 12 pm
  • **Where:** Meet at the public parking lot at the intersection of Highland Valley and Warm Springs (see map next page).
  • The cleanup will go down Warm Springs and end at the Switchback. The route is 2.6 miles.
  • **How:** If you are interested in participating you will need to sign the ACHD waiver. Please send to Hank NLT May 29 and [download form here!](#)
    • Please RSVP to Hank Vincent as early as possible at [Hankvincent0@gmail.com](mailto:Hankvincent0@gmail.com).
    • Bags and gloves will be handed out at the start location.
5 June Highway Cleanup Route

Starting Location: →
Parking lot near East Valley Rim

Ending Location ➔
The Switchback
That’s All Folks!