

**BOISE CITY OPEN SPACE AND CLEAN WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING- BOISE DEPOT MEETING STATION  
THURSDAY, JUNE 6, 2019  
4:00 P.M.**

The Boise City Open Space and Clean Water Advisory Committee (Committee) met Thursday, June 6, 2019 in the Boise Depot Meeting Station. Boise City Members Present: Doug Holloway and Sara Arkle; Rob Lockward, Boise City Legal; Chloe Sallabanks, Clerk.

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**I. CALL TO ORDER:**

Committee Chair Katy Jibben called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

**II. ATTENDANCE:**

**A. Roll Call**

Present: Peter Pengilly, Michelle Meyers, Stacey Donohue, Jeremy Maxand and Katy Jibben

Absent: Matt Cryer, Kathryn Elliott, Brooke Green and Scott Raeber

**III. IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Minutes – May 2, 2019**

**MOTION:** Committee moved to recommend approval of the May 2, 2019 Open Space and Clean Water Advisory Committee Minutes to Boise City Council.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**

**MOVER:** J. Maxand

**SECOND:** M. Meyers

**AYES:** Unanimous

**ABSENT:** M. Cryer, K. Elliott, B. Green and S. Raeber

K. Elliott joined the meeting at 4:01 p.m.

**B. Presentation – Beaver Dam Analogs**

Summary: Peter Ott was introduced as an Idaho Fish and Game senior wildlife technician at Boise River Wildlife Management Area (BRWMA).

P. Ott described riparian and water's edge vegetation systems in the BRWMA and noted that 90 percent of terrestrial vertebrates relied on riparian zones at one stage in their life.

B. Green joined the meeting at 4:05 p.m.

The overarching goal of low-tech restoration was to improve the health of riverscapes and promote a full range of self-sustaining riverscape processes. P. Ott displayed a typical creek makeup in Sage Steppe Western America and pointed out the riparian zone in drainage areas.

Beaver dam processes are looked at for promoting the reconnection of an incised channel to its floodplain. A beaver dam analog (BDA) can be constructed of post-line wicker weave and works to create the reconnection effect of beaver dams. A BDA mimics what a beaver dam would do in a riverscape system; mud, dirt and sediment are used to create a beaver dam structure. Another structure constructed for floodplain connection is post-assisted log structures (PALS), which are used to pin the structure down and catch sediment as it naturally flows through, ultimately creating a beaver dam-like structure.

P. Ott explained benefits of the processes, which included increased water levels and groundwater exchange, increased riparian habitat heterogeneity, and relatively low costs to construct.

P. Ott and the Committee shared general questions and discussions about the presentation.

No motion necessary as the item was informational.

#### **C. Committee Updates**

Summary: S. Arkle shared there had been reports of coyote sightings in the foothills. Trail users are encouraged to leash their dogs while using trails, as active dens were common this time of year.

The trailhead parking project at Warm Springs Golf Course was moving forward. The golf course parking lot would be expanded, allowing for more trail users to access the popular Tram Trailhead across the street. The parking lot entrance would be moved farther up Warm Springs Ave. to provide increased safety for trail users and incoming vehicles.

The July 4, 2019 Open Space and Clean Water Advisory Committee meeting would be canceled due to the holiday.

The Committee shared general questions and discussions.

No motion necessary as the item was informational.

#### **D. Executive Session**

**MOTION:** Pursuant to Idaho Code §74-206(c) to acquire an interest in real property which is not owned by a public agency, and Idaho Code §74-206(f) to communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of

and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated.

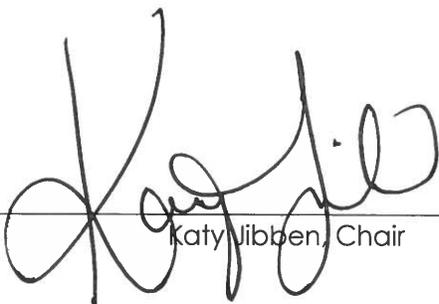
**RESULT:** **ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION**  
**MOVER:** J. Maxand  
**SECONDER:** P. Pengilly  
**ROLL CALL:** Peter Pengilly, Michelle Meyers, Stacey Donohue, Jeremy Maxand, Katy Jibben, Kathryn Elliott and Brooke Green  
**ABSENT:** Matt Cryer and Scott Raeber

**RESULT:** **EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION**  
**MOVER:** J. Maxand  
**SECONDER:** P. Pengilly  
**ROLL CALL:** Peter Pengilly, Michelle Meyers, Stacey Donohue, Jeremy Maxand, Katy Jibben, Kathryn Elliott and Brooke Green  
**ABSENT:** Matt Cryer and Scott Raeber

**V. IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED**  
**MOVER:** J. Maxand  
**SECONDER:** K. Elliott  
**AYES:** Unanimous  
**ABSENT:** M. Cryer and S. Raeber

  
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Katy Jibben, Chair