

RESOLUTION NO. 3214

A RESOLUTION BY THE RED LODGE CITY COUNCIL CREATING A COMPREHENSIVE TRAILS PLAN FOR THE CITY OF RED LODGE.

WHEREAS, the Red Lodge City Council previously authorized funding to develop a comprehensive trails plan (“the Plan”), entered into a contract for services for this project (approved at Resolution 3205) and has been advised and consulted throughout up-to-and-including a report on the Plan itself; and

WHEREAS, the public has been involved throughout this process and participated at every level, with good publicity before and after each public meeting and ample opportunity for interested parties and stakeholders in this project to voice their opinions and provide informed input; and

WHEREAS, the Red Lodge Planning Commission and the City’s Public Works Department participated in this process throughout, and Carbon County officials were advised and informed of this project. The Carbon County Board of County Commissioners received a briefing on the project during the process; and

WHEREAS, this Plan was presented and reviewed by the City’s Park Board, which is now recommending the plan be adopted and implemented with the support and continuing involvement of the Park Board; and

WHEREAS, the Council is presented with a comprehensive concept plan for a trails system being recommended by the Parks Board with priorities, standards and proposed routes; all provided in accordance with the requirements set forth in the City request for proposals and contract for services.

WHEREAS, the Council’s intent to have property owners who may be impacted by a particular trail prior to construction to be fully informed of plans for that trail, and for the City to secure the permission and cooperation of individual property owners who might be impacted by this Plan before final approval of any particular trail to initiate funding or construction for that trail.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The City Council resolves that the comprehensive trails plan submitted by Tom Kohley and his associates, and as reviewed and recommended by the City’s Park Board be used to create a system of trails for this community; said document to be known as “The City of Red Lodge Comprehensive Trails Plan”;

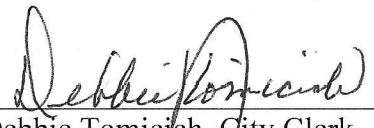
2. The City Council resolves to have City departments use this Plan to guide future development and planning for the City; and
3. The Council recognizes the proposed trail system extends across both public and private lands. Private land owner easements have not been obtained and trails crossing private property may or may not be realized. Easements and rights-of-way that permit public trails to cross private lands will need to be negotiated on an individual basis with the needs and wishes of the land owners given foremost consideration; and
4. The City is to use its best efforts to include funding in its annual budget to implement this Plan and assure progress toward its completion.

PASSED and APPROVED by the Red Lodge City Council this 23rd day of May 2006.

FOR THE CITY OF RED LODGE, MT

By: 

Brian C. Roat, Mayor

Attest: 

Debbie Tomich, City Clerk