

TDA LRPC AUGUST 2024 MEETING NOTES

Meeting Date and Time: August 8, 2024, 2:00-5:00 PM

Location: The Mezzanine Room at the Northwoods Clubhouse and Zoom

Committee Members:

Jackie Ginley	Laura Lindgren	Rob McCray
Jerry Meek (Chair)	Brian Renehan	Dan Simmons
Ward Sproat (Vice-chair)	Joe Veni	Mike Vivas
Beth Wang	Keith Williams	Jon Mitchell (Staff Lead)

Liaisons: Julie Thornton (TOS), Benjamin Levine (Board)

1. Call to order & acknowledge / welcome member guests

- a. The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:02pm. Present committee members were Rob McCray, Dan Simmons, Beth Wang, Keith Williams, Jerry Meek, Ward Sproat and Laura Lindgren. Liaisons Jon Mitchell, Benjamin Levine and Julie Thorton were present. The Chair also recognized guests Annie Rosenfeld, and the two member guests.

2. Action – Approve Minutes of the July 11 meeting

- a. The Chair called for changes/corrections to the minutes; none were noted. The minutes were approved by consensus.

3. Discussion – Reports:

- a. **Chair:** Jerry welcomed the guests and updated on Committee status, including upcoming Committee openings.
- b. **Vice Chair:** Ward deferred his report to Agenda Item #4.
- c. **Staff Lead:** Jon reported on the status of the DHSL project, Golf Course projects, the Marina Deck Expansion, and Glacier Way Parking Expansion. Project planning has started for the class 1 trail with the Town of Truckee using TSAA funds and there is ongoing work on a reimbursable agreement related to the project. Jon and Annie also reported on meetings with the Town regarding other TSAA funding projects, forestry issues, emergency egress and discussions re: traffic calming. Annie noted that the Town’s Capital Project list will be prepared next year. The Committee noted the importance of taking steps to ensure that traffic calming projects for Tahoe Donner are included, and if there is community outreach to stakeholders, we should participate. Annie stated that the Town is data driven, and the Committee noted that the data about Northwoods and how heavily impacted it is, and the need for safety features, is already in the Town’s existing traffic study.

- d. **Board Liaison:** Benjamin shared advised the Committee about the August 14 Board meeting for consideration of the draft Amenity Access Policy, with the goal of sending the draft out for 45-day notice to the members.
- e. **TOS & FC Liaisons:**
 - i. For the FC, Dan Simmons reported that the FC meeting focused on budget items, and that they were going to prepare a draft budget document. He said he would be out of town for the next FC meeting, and asked that another Committee member volunteer to attend.
 - ii. For TOS, Laura reported that TOS discussed budgets and capital projects related to trails and forest safety. TD is working on forest management partnerships and grant opportunities for forest and trail enhancements. This includes the critical Coyote Creek crossing, which is not yet fully funded. New and much better trail signs are currently being installed. Laura also mentioned the objections raised by some members at TOS meeting regarding the new mountain bike flow trail constructed behind Alder Creek Adventure Center, and that more are planned that the Committee might want to discuss. Benjamin gave some background information on the project and placement.

4. Discussion and Approval– Northwoods Report

Ward reviewed the changes in the current draft, which was previously circulated to all committee members for review and comment. The committee members discussed the comments and agreed on certain revisions.

The Committee then voted unanimously to approve the final Northwoods Report for submission to the Board.

5. Discussion – Special Task List Item #3 – Member input to Long Range Capital Plan

A. Compilation of member opinion from 2023 member surveys

The Committee discussed the draft Report on Member Capital Project Priorities, which reflects the result of work by the LRPC to analyze Tahoe Donner members' opinions from the 2023 members survey regarding future capital improvements. Certain committee members compiled the information into a useful format

The Committee recommended that the name be changed to indicate that the document is a compilation of member responses as opposed to a report. With that

change, the Committee approved the provision of the document to staff to assist in creating the 2024 Capital Plan, and agreed that staff, if it is deemed advisable, could provide the document as information for the Board.

B. 20-year and 10-year Capital Projects List

Jon provided information about the current 20-year Capital Project Schedule Lists. He discussed the highlighted additions to the current lists, and provided information about items in the list.

Committee members asked questions and provided input for discussion. The Committee made the following suggestions for input, and also expressed the view that the Committee comments should be provided to the Board in addition to staff, as occurred last year.

a. Mobility/Traffic Calming

Committee members expressed the view that the Mobility/Traffic Calming item should be accelerated, and that Tahoe Donner should be pro-active with the Town to address these issues. Jon expressed the view that the item was not actually a capital project and should no longer be on the Capital Projects list. The Committee members expressed concern that if the item is removed, it will not be prioritized and pursued.

Following discussion, the Committee voted to adopt the following Resolution:

“LRPC recommends that the Board and Staff continue to work with the Town of Truckee to develop traffic calming and traffic safety measures for roadways within Tahoe Donner and that this project be advanced to adopt safety measures as soon as possible. LRPC further recommends that this project be elevated with a near-term completion date as soon as possible.”

It was further discussed, per Annie’s suggestion, that the item be moved from the Capital Projects List to a more appropriate but equally prominent planning document such as the Strategic Plan, where it would continue to retain momentum and have the same level of visibility and urgency.

There was also discussion about accelerating safety crossing measures at the NW Clubhouse from the Nature Trail, a matter of concern expressed by many members. Jon explained that this issue would be addressed as part of the planning for the Class 1 Nature Trail, and that the location of the termination point of the Class 1 trail and location of any crossing was under discussion with the Town. The Town prefers the crossing at the intersection, but users of the trail generally cross where the trail currently ends, across from the upper end of the NW parking lot.

Both Committee and staff are in agreement that the Class 1 Trail is a top priority and that planning will go forward in the 2025 fiscal year.

b. Charging Stations

Some on the Committee expressed opposition to adding charging stations for public use, but agreed that they would be appropriate for internal use, particularly for TD vehicles. Jon stated that at times it is possible to secure government assistance to construct such stations at no cost to TD.

A motion to oppose utilizing TD funds to construct public charging stations was proposed, with a vote of 3 to 3, and the issue was not resolved.

c. Northwoods Campus/Tennis

The Committee discussed the components of this item in the Capital Projects list, which will be modified and informed by the findings in the Northwoods Campus Report. This includes the desire for more pickleball courts by many members. Jon explained the current courts were modified tennis courts, i.e. hybrid courts, rather than designed as pickleball courts.

d. 10-Year Capital Improvement Schedule

The Committee also discussed items on the 10-year Capital Improvement Schedule. The list included \$60,000 item for constructing additional mountain bike “flow trails” during 2025 and 2026. It appears that some or all of these trails are planned for the area near ACAC, but the exact locations were not discussed.

The schedule also contains an item for updated mailboxes. The Committee discussed the need for additional mailboxes to accommodate the members who desire mailboxes but do not yet have them. In addition, the existing mailboxes need upgrading. Jon stated that the last time Tahoe Donner looked at this, the Post Office indicated a need for a total of approximately 6500 mailboxes, including those we already have, under the view that there should be one for every household. The Committee does not support placing mailboxes at the NW Campus due to space constraints and the numerous car visits that would be created. The Post Office has expressed in the past that mailboxes for each street/area should be in the same vicinity, as opposed to random addresses grouped together. The Committee believes that the additional mailboxes are more properly place in the many existing mailbox areas; Jon expressed a staff desire to install mailboxes at the NW Campus.

e. Dog Park

One Committee member suggested a dog park in Tahoe Donner. Laura mentioned that Julie Thorton of the TOS has prepared a presentation supporting a dog park in Tahoe Donner, and suggested that the matter be put on the agenda for presentation at an upcoming meeting.

6. Discussion – LRPC Committee Business

- a. Jerry asked for a LRPC member to volunteer to become the LRPC secretary. No one volunteered. Laura offered to create the meeting notes for the August meeting.
- b. It was discussed that the Marina may be the next amenity that LRPC should look at, as there are a number of improvement/capital projects in the works for the facility.
- c. There are four LRPC members that have a 12/31/24 first term expiration date. They are Rob, Jerry, Mike, and Keith. Mike will not be seeking a second term, and Jerry will determine which other members may seek a second term.

7. Adjourn

- a. The Chair adjourned the meeting at 5:00 pm.