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Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

Meeting February 13, 2020

APPROVED

Members Present: Mary Baumgardner, Stacy Epsteen, Steve Gulgren, John Linman, and Sarah Silvernail

Staff Present: Ken Warner & Tarra Wiencken

Council Liaison: Jules Walters-Alternate

Guests: Alma Coston, Marla Gaarenstroom, Tom Meier, Ed Schwarz, Roger L. Woehl, Tom Widden

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm

1. Introductions: Congratulations to Sarah for being reappointed to PRAB, Congratulations to Mary Baumgardner as a new PRAB member.
2. Approval of Tonight's Agenda: Agenda Approved
3. Approval of Summary Notes
 - a. Approved with changes to November 14 Draft 5a (we would get)
4. Community Comments:
 - a. Ed Schwarz asked that the Protocol on 3e could be changed to the beginning of the meeting like City Council.
 - b. Tom Meier talked about the timeline for the pickleball project at North Willamette and Tanner Creek Park. Talked about quotes for tensile structures. Wrote grants.
 - c. Tom Widden showed photos of tensile structure styles. Cost could be \$100,000-\$110,000 per court.
 - d. Ken mentioned that one of the council goals is to look at year round indoor recreation opportunities.
 - e. Alma Coston thanked staff for addressing a safety hazard at the Maddax Woods trail entrance off Hood Street.
 - f. Marla Gaarenstroom came to observe the meeting.
 - g. Roger L. Woehl talked about making musical instruments and putting them in the parks. He already put one in at Hammerle Park. Would like to put some at Willamette Park, Douglas Park and Fields Bridge Park.
5. Items of Interest from the Board:
 - a. One more board member spot to fill. Councilor Walters thinks there may be a decision the beginning of March, after interviews.
 - b. Ken talked about an ADA transition plan, working with Public Works as a city-wide plan.
 - c. Mary asked about the Beaver Ambassador Program. Funding for these outdoor programs is not available at this time.
 - d. Tarra updated PRAB on Bee City USA process. Renewal in 2021, Bee City USA sign will be put up, programming Pollinator Week June 22-26, ongoing work with Liaisons



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Lorie Griffith and Michael Rutten at Mary S. Young Pollinator Garden, and coordinating with OSU Master Gardeners.

6. White Oak Savanna Nature Play:

- a. Ken updated that the plan is scaled down, discussion about Porta Potty, Single Stall or Double Stall Restroom. PRAB is directed to get community input, WOS, BHS, WNA.
- b. Michelle from Learning Landscape will be coming to the March meeting, will bring options, alternative versions for board to look at and discuss.
- c. Steve asked if original plan was approved. Asked when NA meeting dates are.
- d. John likes the original plan/concept.
- e. Mary is onboard with the plan.

7. Department Staffing Update:

- a. Tarra is Recreation Supervisor, Dawn Kolb Full Time Recreation Coordinator at City Hall (Special Events, Adult Programming), Allissa Meis just got hired as a Recreation Coordinator (Sports programming, Special Events and Summer Camps), Meghan Matthies part-time Recreation Coordinator at the Adult Community Center, job share with Tiffany Carlson. We will be fully staffed March 16!
- b. Looking at changing our registration, facility reservation system.

8. Other Project Updates:

- a. Non Go Bond projects update: Maddax Woods Boat Barn & entrance road project, Willamette Park Boarding Floats with Grant money, Palomino Park is getting new ADA paths.
- b. Go Bond Projects, went over attached list-2018 Bond Measure Park Projects.
- c. Robinwood Station \$717,000 allocated for improvements.
- d. Old City Hall 1.26 Million allocated for renovation.
- e. New generators for Police Station and Library
- f. Mary S. Young Tree work will begin early March.

9. Community Comment Wrap-Up

- a. Marla inquired about pruning process for Mary S. Young trees, will they stay for habitat or be taken all the way down.
- b. Ed regarding the WOS Nature Play area, brought timeline emails and examples of amenities discussed at their meetings. Happy board is coming to their meeting to discuss plan. As president of NA presidents he can help coordinate a meeting.
- c. Marla mentioned the Heron Watch event that will be held at Maddax Woods the first Sunday of the month starting in March and ending Sunday June 7, 1-3 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm