

# Clackamas County Parks Advisory Board Meeting Minutes, Tuesday October 18, 2022

# Hybrid online or at Development Services Building, Room 401, Oregon City, OR 97045 @6:00pm

Members Present Via Zoom: Justin Ostrander, Mark Elliott, Don Morgan, Chad Parker, Morgan Parks, Eric Pfeiffer-Robinson, Rob Smoot

Members Present at DSB, 401: Mike Ferrell, Tom Hester, Louise Lopes

Members Absent: Dana Hindman-Allen, Walter Hull

Staff Present: Tom Riggs, Mark Shaw, Barb Guthrie, Thomas Gray, Sarah Eckman

Guests Present Via Zoom: Commissioner Mark Shull, Mike Turley, Total Golf Management

## I. Call To Order

Justin Ostrander called the meeting to order at 6:06 pm

## II. Citizen Input and & Correspondence

- Mike Ferrell took a ride up 43 from Estacada to Detroit. It goes through the fire damaged area from a year ago; it is severally burnt, looks quite different up there.
- Tom Hester shared that anglers have provided positive feedback about leaving the docks in a little longer at Hebb Park for the Coho run.

## **III.** Meeting Minutes

Justin called for a motion to approve the minutes from September 20, 2022. Rob asked for clarification concerning the \$1.37 donation at Wagon Wheel- thinking it should have been \$137; it was indeed \$1.37. Rob also asked that the name of Commissioner Shull's guest be included in the minutes. Her name is Oksana Bell. With the addition of the one correction, Justin called for the approval of the minutes: Tom Hester called, Rob seconded the motion; minutes were approved.

### IV. Stone Creek Update – Mike Turley

- We had a great summer, charity and tournament events were back and well attended, best summer for those events in several years.
- We are ahead on our budget numbers which is a good thing going into the winter.
- Last August I reported to you about the lake; we noticed that some erosion around the outflow had been growing so we determined to move up the rip-rap installation around the lake, approximately 175 feet of the lake bank. Will also do some erosion control at the dike. Will start the project next Monday, which means having to drain the lake.
- September and October were good income months. So we are going into our off season in good shape. Down months for us are November through February- days are much shorter, wetter and colder.

## V. Administrative Updates – Tom Riggs

- a. OPRD Grant Panel Opportunity There is an opportunity available for a citizen representative to sit on Oregon State Parks' County Opportunity Grant Advisory Committee. This is the committee that reads and scores grant applications, such as for our pavement project at Feyrer Park. If any PAB members are interested in serving on this review committee, application information was provided.
- b. <u>Policy Updates</u> The naming policy was discussed at a prior meeting, dealing with requests for naming of park facilities and other items/areas within the parks. After discussion with the Board of County Commissioners, they have elected to keep the policy currently in place and not use our recommended policy changes. We are working on renaming the Carver Boat Ramp, and we now can move ahead with this.
- c. <u>DTD/BCS Move Update</u> The Parks office will be moving down to the second floor shortly after November 1. The move will result in smaller building space costs moving forward.
- d. <u>Update From Deputy Director Sarah Eckman</u> Sarah thanked the PAB members for their commitment of service to Parks and to the County. Now we are embarking on a new mission with the merger with Department of Transportation and Development. There will be at a retreat for the next couple of days to talk about common mission and what comes next for the department. They will be looking at Performance Clackamas and how to implementing those strategies and making them effective at telling our story. Embarking on some serious evaluation on budget. Commissioner Shull was asked for his input We need to get everyone on the same sheet of music when we start looking at the budget considering the cost for the new court house; this will require some shaving off of costs to all departments and all of us need to work together on this.

### VI. Park Updates – Mark Shaw

- a. Working on identifying and removing hazard trees in our park properties. Approximately sixty trees will be removed. The parks and forestry staff will be working in conjunction to make this happen. The good news is that we will be able to do this "in-house" and save approximately \$6,000. We used some of our park staff leads do the work which was good training for them.
- b. Starting our two septic replacement projects, to be completed sometime in November.
- c. Boones Ferry dock rebuild will be started soon, have selected a vendor to do the work.
- d. Starting work on the paving project for the Eastside of Barton Park, should be done by end of November. The new Barton water system will be going in as well in the coming months.
- e. Have started the work on a disc golf course at Metzler Park. The first 9 holes (beginner level course) has been completed, pads/baskets have been installed. We have some signage, need some minor adjustments to make, but the first 9 holes are done. The next nine will be more technical, but the first 9 will be geared toward families. All holes will be operational by the time of the next PAB meeting. The folks that designed the course are volunteers and have done course design many times in the region. Justin suggested that we have a local professional disc golfer come out and break in our course, he suggested Nate Sexton, or someone from the Oregon circuit- that might get the word out about the "new" course. It was suggested to have an "official" opening for the course.
- f. Staffing: we have kept some of the lead seasonals on to help with the projects to prep the park's facilities for the winter months and be ready for next summer. It is a good opportunity to provide additional training for those staff interested in additional job skills. We are also working with setting up a contract with Coffee Creek Correctional Facility to have workers help with park landscaping and cleanup projects.
- g. The new ranger position is posted for recruitment, we have received a good number of applications.

#### VII. Good of the Order

a. The Timber Sale Advisory Committee will be meeting soon. There will be a tour of the site to be harvested on October 27. Louise and Eric are on the committee. There will be a period of public comments after the tour, then the meeting. There will be three sales rolled into one; three different

- parcels and approximately three million board feet. The effects of climate change on our forest lands was discussed and if this effects the harvesting.
- b. Tom Riggs asked the PAB about the Hybrid meeting format; general consensus was it worked well and was glad there was a choice. It was mentioned that Tom Riggs's voice was a little muffled due to his mask.

## VII. Adjournment

Justin called for adjournment at 6:51 pm—Tom Hester so motioned, Mike second.