

Clackamas County Parks Advisory Board Meeting Minutes, Tuesday March 19, 2024

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

Members Present Via Zoom: Don Morgan, Rob Smoot, Eric Pfeiffer-Robinson Members Present at DSB 401: Louise Lopes, Don Morgan, Walter Hull, Justin Ostrander, Mike Ferrell, Sarah Furber, Angela Pederson

Members Not Present: Tom Hester, Charles Parker Staff Present at DSB 401: Tom Riggs, Mark Shaw, Barb Guthrie, Thomas Gray Staff Present Via Zoom: Mike Turley

I. Call To Order

Justin Ostrander called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm

II. Meeting Minutes

Justin called for a motion to approve the minutes from February 20, 2024 meeting; Sarah motioned to approve, Dana seconded; minutes were approved.

III. Citizen Input & Correspondence

An interest in a possible land donation was discussed. PAB members talked about the opportunity to acquire the property, and its importance for wildlife and land preservation. A letter of interest from the PAB for this parcel of open land was proposed to be written as a good first approach. The motion was called for, Mike so called, and seconded by Dana. The letter will be drafted initially by Mike and finalized by park staff.

IV. Stone Creek Update: Mike Turley

We were very busy this last weekend due to the sunny dry weather. This time of year it is hit and miss for golfers-the weather is the factor. The weather has been weird starting this past month, with snow, rain then sun, then snow and rain again. Tournaments are starting to be booked for the season; the 3 Rivers golf tournament with high school girls, it was fun to have them there and a great time was had by all. The pond project went well and is finished, along with the paving. They had to shore up the rock in our cart staffing area, which was the last piece of that project. They created more of a ledge on some of the green areas where our mowers can turn around so it is much safer. It looks great. The pond project finished on time and within budget. We are looking forward to a very good season. Revenues are running on par with last year.

V. Summer Meetings/Park Tours Planning

Possible parks to visit this summer were discussed. Barlow Wayside, Barton, Eagle Fern were on the top of list, with possible visits to Hoodland and it was suggested that a non-Clackamas County park would be good to see; Wildwood was suggested. PAB members would like to meet with non-Clackamas County parks to discuss and share ideas on funding and operations.

VI. Administrative Updates-Tom Riggs

A. <u>CPO Outreach</u>: CPOs are community planning organizations that are located in areas outside of an incorporated city. Their function is to review proposed development permits/zoning, or changes. The CPO acts as the land use review board for that area. They are a group of volunteers in an area that are a good point for reaching local communities. I have had a request from the Boring CPO concerning the rolling out of our parking pay structure. Mark and I attended one of their meetings and what followed was a Q & A session with them, which got us to thinking about other CPOs who would benefit from these types of meetings with park staff. So I went out to meet with the Eagle Creek and Barton CPOs. I am working with the office of Public and Government Affairs to identify all of the CPOs that relate to County Parks properties and send them a blanket invite to meet with us.

b. <u>Film/Media Fee Increases</u>: When we discussed fees before, we did not review fees for film and media in our parks, ie photos and filming of movies, television shows and commercials. These fees were overlooked as they did not live on our Parks section of the official fee schedule, but they will be included there moving forward. Tom reviewed the current fee schedule and the increases that are proposed. Asked for approval by PAB for these increases. Motion was called for by Walter, seconded by Angela. Motion passed unanimously.

c. <u>Metro Local Share Outreach</u>: After the outreach on Facebook, we have worked with consults and they completed their preliminary outreach reports and a draft was submitted to Metro. We were pleased with the results, and it looks like we made a good effort and have made positive strides towards meeting all of our benchmarks for the local share program, and therefore will soon be submitting our projects to qualify for the local share funding.

d. <u>Other</u>: Sarah and I have been discussing the need for a County Parks system plan. Right now we have the Barton Master Plan, but that's our only up to date planning document. A system-wide plan will help to identify our long term goals regarding ongoing maintenance and staffing needs for additional programing services and identifying what sort of funding sources to be appropriate. For several years we've been talking about system development charges which we currently do not have, but many other park departments do. We will look at what is available to parks that we don't currently utilize. I am part of a group of regional parks administrators that has been meeting to discuss funding issues, sharing ideas, options available.

V. Park Updates: Mark Shaw

Project Updates

- 1. <u>Barton Camping Expansion</u>: We are installing 6 new walk-in campsites in the East campground, with a trail connecting them to the restroom and parking area. Additionally, we are putting in two host sites in Barton West, next to the existing one there. Concrete for the pads will be poured in the next few weeks. We are working with the trade school workers to get the concrete pour done along with basic excavation.
- 2. <u>Metzler Disc Golf Signs are in</u>: the new signs have been installed. Tim has taken the lead on this, and worked on finalizing the verbiage, graphics and the installation for the signs. The signs include information on the local vegetation, tips on playing each hole, and the distance of each stop. We had our first tournament last week.
- 3. <u>Carver House Update</u>: Carver House Rehab project is basically done. We removed the LP siding and installed new sheathing and vapor barrier, new windows and re-sided the house. Painting and a few small details are left to complete the project.
- 4. <u>Fencing at Feyrer Park</u>: This fencing will be installed primarily to stop dumping trash on the bank near the park. With cars stopping along this road, it causes concerns with safety. We will put up an agricultural fencing system- 600 feet long- to keep cars from stopping to throw their trash down the embankment. The fence will be approximately 6 feet from the edge of the fog line painted on the road edge.

Operational Updates

1. <u>Metal Detecting</u>: We had a request from a metal detecting enthusiast, who asked us to look at our policies in the hope we would change the rules, that currently prohibit all such activities at all of our parks. After discussion with field staff, we have instituted new guide lines. We will allow metal detecting, within established rules, and only at Ed Latourette, Wagon Wheel and Knights Bridge.

VII. Good of the Order

A request was made to have River City Boat Sales staff to attend a PAB meeting and give an update on the status of their operations. Mike asked additional questions about the Tickle Creek property; Tom will talk more with Mike about this property.

VIII. Adjournment Justin called for adjournment at 7:39 pm—Walter so motioned, Louise seconded.