



Clackamas County Parks Advisory Board
Tuesday June 21, 2022
Boones Ferry Marina at 6:00pm

PAB Members Present: Chair Justin Ostrander, Vice-Chair Mike Ferrell, Don Morgan, Rob Smoot, Dana Hindman-Allen, Walter Hull, Louise Lopes, Eric Pfeiffer-Robinson, Morgan Parks, Chad Parker

Guests Present: Ken Guerins & Tim Coleman of River City Boat Sales

Staff Present: Tom Riggs, Mark Shaw, Thomas Gray, Sandy Weijland

I. Call to Order

Justin O called the meeting to order at 6:20 pm

II. River City Boat Sales

- 1) Tim C and Ken G gave an overview of River City Boat Sales operations; "Fun on the Water" is their motto. There are 105 slips available to lease. A handful of slip leases were canceled due to the recent wakeboarding rules and restrictions. There is a waitlist for slips, so spaces were filled immediately.
- 2) Incidents at the marina are limited to usual minor occurrences: couples giving trailer backing instructions, kids throwing rocks from the bridge, fender benders, etc. Security cameras catch some incidences and are reported to appropriate authorities.
- 3) The marina has new LED lights to keep the area well-lit and safe.
- 4) The contract with River City is a partnership: the commercial side pays a lease rate for the building. For the marina portion, River City handles the operations (slip rentals, gas sales, minor repairs, etc) and County Parks is responsible for major repairs and maintenance. The marina revenue is split: 65% to River City and 35% to County Parks.
- 5) There are plans to rebuild the Boones I-5 bridge; River City will be taking engineers out on the water to view the bridge next week.

III. Citizen Input

- 1) Tom R relayed a complaint that had come in regarding Hebb Park – that the landscaping is overgrown and the docks are not installed yet. Tom R noted it has been the wettest spring in 81 years, and water levels have been too high to install the docks any sooner, but plans are to have them installed next week.
- 2) Don M had a call regarding the homeless camped under the bridge at Wagon Wheel Park.

IV. Meeting Minutes

Don Morgan made the motion to approve the May 2022 minutes; seconded by Morgan P. Approval was unanimous.

V. Park Business

1. Finance Updates – Tom R

- a. The next fiscal year's budget has been approved by the County.
- b. We are establishing an out-of-state surcharge for campers not residing in Oregon. We receive a portion of the RV registration fees paid by Oregon residents; the new fee will offset that fee by this out-of-state camper fee. The revenue from this fee is planned to help fund a new FT Ranger.
- c. We have started some service reductions due to low staffing levels so far this summer. While still honoring current picnic reservations, we are no longer booking new picnic reservations. When there are back-to-back reservations, Saturday & Sunday, it is hard for staff to clean the shelters between reservations.

2. Volunteer Opportunities – Tom R

- d. Can Parks Advisory Board members volunteer in the parks? Yes! Let us know when you are available and what you're willing to help with.
- e. Madrone Wall Park will likely open a couple of weeks early. There were no returning Peregrine Falcons this year. The Madrone Wall Preservation Committee will plan work parties to assist in clearing trails, and also help with the closing of the gate.
- f. The "We Love Clean Rivers" River Ambassador group will be in the parks this summer. Volunteers prefer not to sit and staff a table, but rather be on the river, cleaning and educating river users.

3. Park Projects – Mark Shaw

- a. With the low staff levels, we're looking at contracting out for a landscaping company to help with park grounds keeping.
- b. The hiring process has been challenging this year. Increases to the procedures are creating a 3-4 week process. We will be looking for options to streamline the process for 2023.
- c. Metzler caretaker house is getting new flooring and roof.
- d. We have purchased 18 disc golf baskets for a disc golf project at Metzler Park.
- e. Eagle Fern and Barton Parks are getting new septic systems this fall.
- f. Barton Park's fire pond has been drained, repaired, and is back to full again.
- g. There were 45 tree stumps that were removed from Feyrer Park; a few stumps were also removed from Barton and Metzler Parks.
- h. We're looking at installing flow meters on the park wells. Currently, we have no way of knowing how many gallons are used.
- i. We have purchased electric lawn tools; the plug-n-go tools are also low maintenance.

VIII Adjournment

- a. Rob S made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 pm; seconded by Louise L.

After the adjournment, Tom R led PAB members on a walk around the property to view the marina.

Next meeting: July 19, 2022 at Stone Creek Golf Club, dinner provided