



DRAFT MINUTES

City of Oregon City
Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

City Hall
625 Center Street, Oregon City, OR 97045

January 26, 2017

Attendance

Members: Shawn Dachtler; Lisa Novak; Chris Cook; Joyce Gifford; Roger Fowler-Thias; Mike Mitchell; Doug Neeley

Excused: Blane Meier

Staff: Phil Lewis, Community Services Director

Guests: none

Regular Meeting

1. Call to order at 7:00pm
2. Introductions
3. Annual Election of Officers (Chair and Vice Chair): Joyce Gifford was nominated and unanimously voted to serve as Chair. Chris Cook was nominated and unanimously voted to serve as Vice Chair.
4. Approval of minutes – December 1, 2016 Meeting Minutes: Approved
5. Citizen comments on issues and items not on the agenda:
Dorothy Dahlsrud spoke regarding can and bottle collection efforts by The Oregon City Parks Foundation at sites throughout the community including private businesses and city facilities. They will be expanding their efforts this year during the summer concert series.
6. Presentations
 - a. Presentation – Vietnam Memorial Wall Project, Evan Connell
Evan discussed the Vietnam Memorial Wall Project at the VFW site. Conceptual design renderings were distributed to PRAC members. A meeting was recently held on-site with monument designer OM Stone. After discussions with Planning and Parks the decision was made to move the monument back a little from the Promenade on current

parking spaces in the VFW parking lot. The wall will include recognition of those who did not come back from the war, Medal of Honor recipients, service organization recognition and language about the war. Security concerns were brought forward from PRAC members regarding the unbroken nature of the linear monument being directly adjacent to the Promenade for users of the linear park.

b. Presentation – Oregon City Concept Plans

Phil Lewis informed the group that the Planning Department will be presenting at an upcoming PRAC meeting.

7. General Business

a. Willamette Falls Legacy Project

The partner group and design team will be hosting the next public meeting in late spring to unveil the preferred concept plan for the Riverwalk. The design team is currently working on a phasing plan for construction. Public feedback is still being requested at the project website www.rediscoverthefalls.com. A request was made to have another site visit for PRAC members. Phil informed the group that they are typically on Friday afternoons and that he would follow up to get possible dates to members for a vote.

b. Clackamette Park Boat Ramp Update

The City Commission has decided to continue the discussion of a support letter for moving the boat ramp to Oregon State Marine Board (OSMB) until a further study of the park and associated properties can be further evaluated. The City Commission gave direction to Community Services to begin the process of developing a master plan for the Waterfront including Clackamette Park and the overflow parking properties adjacent to McDonalds. PRAC recommends that this item stay as a priority for the City in order to meet expectations of OSMB deadlines. It was also determined by the group to have Waterfront Master Plan as a standing agenda item for future PRAC meetings.

c. PRAC Vacant Position

Appointed PRAC member Michael Lell notified staff of his inability to serve on the committee due to a change in work schedule. PRAC voted unanimously to recommend Bill Daniels for appointment. The recommendation will go to Mayor Holladay for appointment.

d. Movies in the Park

The Movies in the Park proposed schedule was presented to PRAC for approval. There were no concerns regarding the movies selected. The movie list will be posted to the City's website for vote by the public.

e. Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Goals Update

Discussion occurred regarding PRAC goals for 2017-18. Working from the PRAC goals list from 2015-16 as well as the input list for the City Commission Goal Setting Retreat, PRAC refined their list for the upcoming biennium. Phil will compile the data and present a draft list to PRAC for consideration at the February 26th PRAC meeting.

f. Other General Business:

Doug Neeley informed the group that Filbert Run is showing erosion on the storm water drainage channel through the park. He asked if staff could take a look at the problem and make any needed repairs. Phil will follow up with Parks and Public Works staff.

8. PRAC Member Reports:

Roger Fowler-Thias: Pioneer Center has been quiet with snow closures. Two new classes have started that are fairly full and the Daddy Daughter Dance is scheduled for February 10th and is already full. NRPA information on butterfly and pollinator habitat was presented. There was consensus from PRAC members to add milkweed/pollinator beds in Oregon City Parks as a PRAC goal. Additionally, Roger notified PRAC of a tour provided by Jerry Herman this upcoming weekend.

Joyce Gifford: Thanked Phil Lewis and Laura Terway for presenting at the Hillendale/Tower Vista Neighborhood Association Meeting on January 3rd. Jacobs Plaza on the Pioneer Center grounds – the flag poles are in poor condition and the flag poles for the state flag and City flag do not have flags. Promoted the use of OC Request for items that need addressed in the City.

Mike Mitchell: Thanked Phil for presenting at the Caufield Neighborhood Association Meeting on Tuesday. Invited everyone to attend the Oregon City Parks Foundation meeting on January 31st at the Pioneer Center.

Doug Neeley: NRC put forward a goal for stream signage and recognition of additional state inventoried streams on the Oregon City stream overlay zone.

Lisa Novak: Enjoys using the parks and highlighted the use of the parks by neighbors during the recent snow events.

Chris Cook: Looking forward to Daddy Daughter Dance.

Shawn Dachtler: Looking forward to Daddy Daughter Dance. Would like to see input from City staff regarding security issues at parks. Saturday is the Clackamas County Homeless Veterans Stand Down at Mt. Pleasant Elementary at 9am. Dental services, clothing, food and other services will be provided for veterans.

9. Staff reports

- a. Recreation update – Email for the monthly updates to PRAC members
- b. Charter Park update – meeting has been scheduled with City Attorney to format language for the Charter Park Ordinance. It will then go to City Commission for first and second readings.
- c. Other - none

10. Future Agenda Items: Ermatinger House, OC Police – park issues, Girl Scout Troop update for Latourette Park

11. Next scheduled meeting

February 23, 2017

12. Adjournment: 8:47pm