

City of Oregon City Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

City Hall 625 Center Street, Oregon City, OR 97045

October 27, 2016

Attendance

Members: Shawn Dachtler; Bob Burns; Chris Cook; Joyce Gifford; Roger Fowler-Thias; Doug

Neeley

Excused: Mike Mitchell; Blane Meier

Staff: Phil Lewis, Community Services Director **Guests:** Karen Buehrig, Girl Scout Troop 45064

Regular Meeting

- 1. Call to order at 7:01
- 2. Introductions
- 3. Approval of minutes September 22, 2016 Meeting Minutes: Approved
- 4. Citizen comments on issues and items not on the agenda: None
- 5. Presentations
 - a. Presentation Vietnam Memorial Wall Project, Evan Connell
 Evan was unable to attend the meeting and PRAC Chair Shawn Dachtler gave an update.
 The project team is putting final touches on materials and placement. Evan will return at a later meeting to provide an update.
 - b. Presentation- Karen Buehrig, Girl Scout Troop 45064
 Karen and Stella gave a presentation highlighting the upcoming public planning event for Latourette Park on November 11-13, 2016. Troop 45064 received a Community Enhancement Grant to address park needs and hired consultant City Repair to assist with community engagement and planning efforts.

6. General business

Willamette Falls Legacy Project standing update: WFLP is hosting a public event on
 November 17 at Gregory Forum to present information and receive feedback to aid in

- the creation of a preferred conceptual design. WFLP would like to provide an update at the December meeting to present the design alternatives and gather feedback.
- b. Clackamette Park Boat Ramp update: Update provided regarding Oregon State Marine Board's request to have a support letter from Oregon City to move the ramp approximately 350 feet downstream on the river. City Commission will discuss their level of support and interest in writing the letter at their November 2 work session.
- c. Park Exclusion Ordinance update: On the agenda for October 11th City Commission work session, received a first reading at the October 19th regular meeting and is on the agenda for a second reading on November 2nd.
- d. Tobacco Free Parks: On the agenda for October 11th City Commission work session, received a first reading at the October 19th regular meeting and is on the agenda for a second reading on November 2nd.
- e. PRAC Work Plan: Discussion occurred to use Natural Resources Committee (NRC) work plan as a template for PRAC moving into the next year. Neeley lead the discussion as he sits on both committees. He suggested possibly hosting a joint meeting between the committees given our shared interests. The NRC workplan focuses on City Commission goals and aligning committee goals to provide deliverable outcomes.
- f. PRAC Open Positions and Applications: Applications have been received from four community members for the three vacancies. Interviews will take place at the December 1st work session beginning at 6pm with the regular meeting beginning at 7pm.
- g. Other general business: Shawn Dachtler read a letter from Mike Mitchell regarding his interest in seeing PRAC move away from the annual Parks Day event and consider partnering with other local organizations to host a 'Sunday Parksway' type event in Oregon City. Discussion centered on bringing interest to multiple parks instead of the previous Parks Day events at one park. It was suggested to have the OC Parks Foundation involved in a lead role.

7. PRAC member reports:

Roger Fowler-Thias: the Pioneer Center parking lot project has completed, classes are busy and fundraising season has begun. Oregon City Park Foundation HDR grant for Waterboard Park is still pending.

Joyce Gifford: no report

Doug Neeley: chairs the Greater Oregon City Watershed Council and recently attended a

watershed council network meeting and learned about a watershed that feeds into Kellogg

Creek and highlighted their successful plantings. Recognized the new playground equipment

at Library Park and new landscaping around the Spray Park.

Bob Burns: attended the library grand opening, recognized the scale of work completed by

the recreation department at Pioneer Center through meals on wheels and the Pool, and

recognized how quickly the Dahl memorial and Medal of Honor memorial came together.

Chris Cook: no report

Shawn Dachtler: no specific report, but wanted to highlight the grant denial for Glenn Oak

Park and what are the next steps. Phil Lewis provided basic information on the feedback

received from the grant review committee and committed to bringing information back to

PRAC at a later meeting.

8. Staff reports

a. Recreation update – handouts/email for the monthly updates to PRAC members

b. Charter Park update – scheduled for a Commission work session on November 16th.

c. Other

9. Future Agenda Items: NRC/PRAC joint meeting in March or April, Glen Oak and Filbert Run

discussion, Concept Plan discussion with planning in January of February, Chair and Vice

Chair discussion, Cove Project discussion with developer or site visit in spring.

10. Next scheduled meeting

December 1, 2016

11. Adjournment: 8:09pm