



Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Parks Advisory Committee Meeting
Date: October 14, 2014
Time: 6:15 pm
Location: Fanno Creek Service Center

In Attendance

Committee Members: Miles Glowacki, Virginia Bruce and Sue Rimkeit
Staff: Mike Janin, Supt of Security Operations, Jon Campbell, Supt of Maintenance Operations
Guest: Stephen Pearson

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Miles Glowacki at 6:15 pm.

II. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the August 20, 2014 Parks Advisory Committee were unanimously approved as presented.

III. Staff Reports

Park Security, Mike Janin

Mike reviewed several of the new encroachments that he and his staff are working on. Planning used to deal with encroachments, now Security oversees them. Security works from the start (initial contact with patron) through the entire process (in many cases teaming with Maintenance when cleanup is needed). Oftentimes surveys are required, when these arise it costs the district money to do so.

Currently have two interns: district provides uniforms. They get certification themselves. If they complete the program, they are invited to apply when there are openings. They hear about the opportunity via word-of-mouth.

Mike is getting ready for budget.

Park Maintenance, Jon Campbell

Because the temporary boardwalk at Center Street Park is located in a natural area, the impacts of beavers has kept half of the boardwalk under water most of the year, it was recently removed. Natural Resources and Maintenance staff did community outreach by meeting with surrounding neighbors prior to its removal; the area will be restored to a natural setting next summer (new plants).

The Natural Resources Department has identified nine beaver dams at Greenway Park, the loop trail to the east of SW Tuckerwood Court and SW Pearson Court has had flooding over a large section of pathway. Natural Resources and Maintenance will make a recommendation to management in the near future on how we manage this section of the pathway.

OregonLive recently had an article about the second play equipment vandalism that occurred over the past year at Commonwealth Lake Park. The rubber mat (bridge) that connects the two play structures was cut in half for the second time. We are replacing the rubber mat with a "cladder-style bridge" that cannot be cut.

The Flag Box (to drop off used flags) was moved from City Hall to Memorial Park.

Parks staff are trying to wrap up as many of the outdoor capital projects (pedestrian pathways, sidewalks, fencing, play grounds and irrigation) before the winter weather hits, so far they have done pretty well.

IV. Old Business

No old business to report.

V. New Business

Steven Pearson has asked to join the committee, members voted unanimously to approve.

VI. Committee Time

Virginia mentioned "The JOA Young House – we need to move the building onto a new foundation. Want to get the board to allot half the cost so we can apply for grants."

Virginia: more programs for people in unincorporated areas. Mike suggested a new permanent stage for HMT.

Any ideas for the Park Advisory funds?: Jon talked about the picnic shelters, how popular and well used they are. He mentioned that the cleaning crews are often challenged and have to clean them very quickly for the next renters, the trash disposal is a problem. The more trash staff are faced with the more time they spend driving back to the maintenance shops to dump it (using a lot of fuel & extra miles on the road). Consider using the funds to replace an existing trash barrel at a shelter with a compactor-style (big belly) garbage can/recycle style. This type of unit could help us increase our current service levels & decrease the fuel/miles traveled use.

Survey under planning tab

Flag waiting

Old signal lamp

Virginia: Murray-Cornell public plaza is moving along

VII. Next Meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 9th, 6:25 pm at FCSC.

Meeting adjourned at 7:23 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jon Campbell & Virginia Bruce (Recording Secretary)