

April 25, 2018 8:32 a.m. Newport, Oregon

Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting

ROLL CALL

The Parks and Recreation Committee of the City of Newport met on the above date in the Newport Recreation Center.

Members present: Nancy Steinberg, Cheryl Brown, Jennie Scarborough, Kevin Greenwood, Luana Beeson, Al Gilhuly. **Absent**: Karen Smith, Paul Stangeland, Jeff Schrantz, Brian Norris, Mark Saelens - Council Liaison.

Staff/Guests in attendance: Jim Protiva - Parks and Recreation Director, Anjanette Baker - Committee Applicant, and Cyndi Karp.

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of Minutes - March 21, 2018

MOTION was made by Greenwood, seconded by Beeson, to approve the minutes of the February 28, 2018 meeting. The motion carried in a voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Committee Vacancy Interview

Steinberg introduced Anjanette Baker, Committee Applicant. Steinberg noted that they would interview her and then next month vote on her acceptance, and forward that decision on to the mayor for appointment. Baker noted that she had lived in Newport for about eleven years and works independently for a scientific society. Baker answered questions from the committee noting that she had served on various committees in the community and believed that one of the main challenges facing Newport was funding, and providing recreation opportunities for all the stakeholders. Baker added that she and her family have used all of the current Parks and Recreation facilities

Parks Master Plan - Update

Protiva noted that a consulting company had been selected -- Angelo Planning Group, of Oregon. The contract would go before the City Council on May 7 for approval, and work should begin in mid-May. A committee is being established which will be approved at the May 7 Council meeting.

Bee City USA

Steinberg noted that Cyndi Karp had submitted an email, inviting Newport to become the first Bee City on the Oregon Coast. Karp noted that she was a member of the Mid-Coast Watershed Council Pollinator Committee for the ODOT project, between Newport and Yachats. She noted that Yachats had already started the process. Her hope is to have programs in place to help citizens plant native species for pollinators. Karp explained what Newport would need to do in order to become a Bee City USA.

MOTION: Steinberg moved to forward a recommendation to the City Council that the City of Newport make application to become a Bee City USA. Seconded by Gilhuly. The motion carried in a voice vote.

Park Bench Policy - draft

Protiva handed out a draft policy regarding park benches and placement, and added that the discussion of the policy should be a part of the Parks Master Plan development.

Charge to the Committee

Steinberg noted that the Committee's mission statement or Charge to the Committee was established about two years ago and should be reviewed annually. Steinberg asked that the Committee review the document and be ready to discuss it at the May meeting.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Protiva handed out his monthly report, noting that every department produced one and they are on the City's website if people are interested in reviewing them. Protiva added that the Coast Hills Classic Bike Race was held during the month. Steinberg noted that the trails were badly deteriorated after the race due to the rainy conditions, and something needed to be done to improve them.

COMMITTEE COMMENTS

None.

Develop Next Agenda

Parks Master Plan Update Committee Applicant Recommendation Charge to the Committee Roof Repairs - Tim Gross Mountain Bike Trails at Reservoir

Establish Next Meeting Date and Location

The next meeting is scheduled for May 23, 2018.

Adjournment

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:18 a.m.