



September 19, 2018
8:30 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, Paul Stangeland, Jeff Schrantz, Luana Beeson, Brian Norris, Anjanette Baker, Mark Saelens - Council Liaison..
Absent: Karen Smith, Al Gilhuly.

Staff/Guests in attendance: Jim Protiva - Parks and Recreation Director

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of Minutes - June 27, 2018

MOTION was made by Brown, seconded by Beeson, to approve the minutes of the June 27, 2018 meeting. The motion carried in a voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Jason Nehmer - Skateboard Park Update

Steinberg noted that Nehmer was scheduled to be at the June meeting that was cancelled due to lack of quorum. Steinberg added that she could request that he attend a future meeting if needed, and remarked that she hoped the work he was doing on Sam Moore Parkway & Skateboard Park would be incorporated into the parks master plan process. Protiva noted that the City Manager was very interested in this project and there are funds that have been dedicated towards it. Protiva added that there was a working group involved with the project that included a Public Works and Maintenance component, Jason Nehmer, and a group out of Lincoln City called DreamWorks. DreamWorks will be handling some of the technical work. He stated that with everyone's crazy schedules all summer, they haven't all been able to get together to come up with a strategy. Stangeland asked if the project included the entire park area or just the skate park. Protiva noted that it was just the skate park area and the Sam Moore parkway is a separate project.

Letter of Support for County Commons

Protiva noted that he had been requested to see if the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee would write a letter of support to the idea of a multi-use sports field as part of the County Commons project. Saelens noted that he supported the idea.

MOTION was made by Steinberg to have staff prepare a letter from the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee in support of advocating the incorporation of multi-use fields for youth sports into the county commons master planning process, with the letter being sent to the

committee working on that project. Seconded by Norris. The motion carried in a voice vote.

Parks Master Plan Update

Steinberg reported that there had been two meetings of the Parks Master Plan Committee, and the consultants have developed a list of future goals and ambitions statement, which the Parks & Rec Committee had already discussed, and a request had been made to add to the list the preservation of natural spaces and open areas. An inventory of current resources and how they serve the population had also been completed. It was noted that based on industry standards, we are meeting the needs of the community. Steinberg noted that there has been one community workshop, plus an on-line survey for people who could not attend it. Saelens reported that the consultants also identified parts of the city that don't have good access to parks and open areas. Protiva noted that the inventory included all parks and recreational facilities and areas, whether they are City, State, Federal or private. Saelens added that it was vital that the City develop some sort of enforcement plan, especially on the more remote areas. Steinberg and Saelens stated that they were pleased by how much the consultants had already accomplished. Protiva noted that they had received the results from the survey and he would send them to the committee.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Protiva handed out the Director Report for August 2018, and noted that the Department was back into the school season which means track season has started and the after school program was in full swing. Protiva noted that there had been security issues, so the bushes in front of the child center had been cut down and cameras had been installed. He added that the surf contest had gone very well.

COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Baker asked about the possibility of closing the Bay Road for an event in the future, possibly for a triathlon or a community event that included non-profits with booths and/or activities. Protiva mentioned that the Bay Road is a county road and activities would have to be coordinated through them.

Saelens announced that he would not be seeking re-election for his City Council position.

Develop Next Agenda

Vision 2040 Update

Parks Master Plan Update - Rachel Cotton

Establish Next Meeting Date and Location

The next meeting is scheduled for October 24, 2018.

Adjournment

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:46 a.m.