

Minutes of the North Bend Parks Commission Meeting of August 27, 2014

Minutes are draft until approved at the following Parks Commission Meeting.

Attendance:

- Parks Commissioners in attendance: Chris Moore, Judy Bilanko, Karen Wallace, Aubrey McMichael, Yvonne Dalke, Mike Brennan, incoming Parks Commissioner Ethan Duvall.
- Parks Commissioners absent: Eric Thompson (notified ahead).
- Staff in attendance: Mike McCarty, Senior Planner.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00.

Parks Commission Greetings

The Parks Commission welcomed incoming youth Parks Commissioner Ethan Duvall, and thanked outgoing youth Parks Commissioner Aubrey McMichael for her volunteer service.

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Yvonne Dalke provided a motion, seconded by Mike Brennan, to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

Torguson Park Grant

Mike McCarty announced that the City was awarded a \$125,000 Land and Water Conservation Fund grant from the State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) for constructing the plaza, loop-trail and exercise stations within Torguson Park. Mike stated that staff would be working to implement the construction improvements from this grant over the next two years.

New City Hall/Downtown Parking Lot and Adopt a Park Program Inquiry

Mike McCarty informed the Parks Commission about a new parking lot the City has constructed on the lots of the two abandoned homes on Main Street, just south of City Hall. Mike thanked Parks Commissioner Judy Bilanko for her volunteer work with the Snoqualmie Valley Garden Club to assist the City with the design and installation of the landscaping at the new parking lot. Mike inquired with Judy as to whether the Snoqualmie Valley Garden Club would be interested to provide periodic maintenance of the landscaping through the City's Adopt-a-Park Program. Judy stated that she would inquire with them and let him know.

Tannerwood Park Adoption

Mike McCarty announced that Tannerwood Park has now been adopted through the City's Adopt-a-Park Program. The Shogren family (residents within the Tannerwood Neighborhood) has adopted the park, and will coordinate some volunteer cleanup events there with their Cub Scout Pack 452, Den 3 that Mr. Shogren runs.

City Park Signs Recommendation

The Parks Commission reviewed a memo dated August 27 from Mike McCarty summarizing the Parks Commission recommendation on Park signage to the City Council, as prepared from discussion with the Parks Commission at their May 28 meeting. Karen Wallace provided a motion, seconded by Yvonne Dalke, to approve the memo as the Parks Commission recommendation to the City Council. The motion passed unanimously. Mike also presented a 2015-2016 decision card (budget request) that he would forward to the City Council for their consideration of funding the park signs, together with the Parks Commission's recommendation on the signs.

Parks Small Projects Budget 2014

Mike informed the Parks Commission that the 2014 Decision Card they submitted for Council Consideration of a \$5,000 Parks Small Projects Budget was awarded in the September/October budget amendment. Mike described that the Parks Commission had earlier indicated that they wished to use these funds to purchase new garbage and recycle bins in City parks to replace the open steel barrels. Judy Bilanko provided a motion, seconded by Aubrey McMichael, to use the funds from the Parks Commission Small Projects budget for garbage/recycle bins in Parks. The motion passed unanimously.

Decision Card for Parks Small Project Budget 2015 and 2016

Mike announced to the Parks Commission that he submitted a decision card for 2015 and 2016 for \$5,000 each year for the Small Park Project Budget, as was authorized in fall 2014 for the 2014 budget year.

Miscellaneous Parks Commission Inquiries

Parks Commissioners asked Mike about the status of the bridge replacement for EJ Roberts Park and about the possibility of installing chain nets on the basketball hoops at the park. Mike stated that he would look into these issues (addressed by other Departments), and let the Parks Commissioners know.

Adjournment - The Meeting adjourned at 7:00.

Next Meeting - The next meeting of the Parks Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, September 24, 2014 at 6pm.



Chris Moore, Parks Commission Chair



Mike McCarty, Senior Planner

Minutes prepared by Mike McCarty