

Minutes of the North Bend Parks Commission Meeting of September 22, 2010
Minutes are draft until approved at the following Parks Commission Meeting.

Attendance:

- Parks Commissioners in attendance: Yvonne Dalke (Chair), Chris Moore, Karen Wallace, John Fredenburg, Hannah Johanson, Eric Thompson
- Parks Commissioners absent: Phil Lacefield (notified ahead).
- Staff in attendance: Mike McCarty, Senior Planner

The meeting was called to order at 6:05.

Minutes of the August 25, 2010 Parks Commission Meeting

The parks commission accepted the minutes of the August 25, 2010 Parks Commission Meeting as presented.

Torguson Park Master Plan and Implementation

Mike McCarty distributed copies of the Torguson Park Master Plan, adopted by the City Council on September 7. Mike also distributed and described a decision card submitted to the Council for consideration to provide funds in the 2011 budget for constructing the plaza and main trail at Torguson Park, per the plan, as match to a state grant that staff would apply to for the project. Mike stated that the decision card would be at the Council's discretion, and that the budget is expected to be very lean, although the overall budget situation wouldn't be fully known until December.

Adopt a Park or Trail Program

The Parks Commission reviewed the draft Adopt a Park or Trail Program materials and discussed the program with Mike. Karen Wallace suggested revising the program overview sheet and program brochure to better describe that there is latitude to the work to be done by the volunteers, based on their interest, ability, and the needs of the park, as arranged with the Parks Crew Chief. The Parks Commission also requested revising the tri-fold brochure and overview sheet to describe that the typical commitment would be once a month, depending on the season, and the minimum commitment be 4 times per year. Mike agreed to make these revisions to the documents. With the suggested revisions, John Fredenburg provided a motion, seconded by Karen Wallace, to recommend that the Council approve the Adopt a Park or Trail Program. The motion passed unanimously. Mike stated that, once adopted, he would promote the program through various media such as the newspaper, emails to prominent community groups, etc. The Parks Commission also requested posting it on the North Bend Yahoo Group.

Parks Commission Adoption of Portion of EJ Roberts Park

The Parks Commission discussed and decided to adopt a portion of EJ Roberts Park through the Adopt a Park Program. This would serve as a nice way to kick-off and promote the program to other residents and to take an active role in the care of the Parks that the Commissioners are planning for.



Parks Commission Meetings in November and December

The Parks Commission decided to reschedule the November meeting to November 17 and the December meeting to December 15 so as to avoid the holiday dates. One of those meetings could be cancelled, if determined not necessary due to workload.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Parks Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, October 27 at 6pm.

Adjournment

The Meeting adjourned at 6:55.

Approval of Parks Commission Minutes:

(Signature on front)
Yvonne Dalke, Parks Commission Chair

Mike McCarty 12/15/2010
Mike McCarty, Senior Planner

Minutes prepared by Mike McCarty