

Minutes of the North Bend Parks Commission Meeting of Oct. 23, 2024

Minutes are draft until approved at the following Parks Commission Meeting

The meeting was an in-person meeting at North Bend City Hall and was called to order at 6:35 p.m.

Attendance:

- Parks Commissioners in attendance: Tim Talevich, Kyle Braun, Brian Duncan, Ethan Eusebio and Matt Miller. Absent: Minna Rudd and Eric Thompson.
- Staff in attendance: Principal Planner Mike McCarty

Minutes of the July 24, 2024 Parks Commission Meeting

Commissioner Duncan made a motion to approve the minutes with correction to note that Ethan Eusebio was in attendance as a guest (incoming Parks Commissioner not yet formally appointed as of the time of that meeting). Commissioner Braun seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Recommendations on using the Small Parks Improvement Budget related to images for downtown garbage and recycling cans

Senior planner McCarty reported that the North Bend Downtown Foundation and North Bend Arts & Industry are willing to coordinate gathering photos for the new downtown garbage and recycling receptacles. The commission was asked to approve money still available in the Small Parks Improvement Budget for photos. Commissioner Talevich volunteered to pass along photos and contacts to the groups. Commissioner Braun made a motion to approve up to \$3,000 from the budget for this project. Commissioner Duncan seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Tim Talevich and Kyle Braun also volunteered to take the images selected and format them onto the trash and recycling can wrap templates via Adobe Illustrator.

Bike lanes on Healy Avenue

Senior planner McCarty explained that the city's public works department asked whether the existing bike lane on Healy Avenue was important. The lane doesn't get much use, since it is not linked to other lanes, and it's commonly used as parking for the Thursday Farmers' Markets and other events at Si View. Commission Braun made a motion to approve replacing the bike lane with a parking lane and restriping in the area to feature bike "sharrow" markers within the travel lane. Commissioner Duncan seconded the motion. It was approved unanimously.

Arbor Day Festival on Nov. 1

The festival this year will take place on Friday, Nov. 1 at the Ribary Creek Planting site with Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust. All are invited to attend.

Announcements

Principal Planner McCarty reported that the new pathways from the Senior Center parking area to the museum area have been completed, along with ADA parking stalls and picnic tables. It's a welcome improvement to that area. He also reported that new park direction signs have been installed in the city.

Commissioner Talevich reported that he attended Oktoberfest and that it seemed to be a success. Sponsors and attendants enjoyed the indoor space this year.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Tim Talevich