

Meeting Minutes
City of Oregon City
Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting
City Hall
March 29, 2010

Attendance

Members: Bryan Watt, Ted Schumaker, Rachel Gordon, Mike Mitchell, Marty Bertsch

Excused: Steve McAdoo

Staff: Scott Archer, Community Services Director; Denise Kai, Assist. Parks & Rec. Director

Guests: Patrick Sweeney, PRAC applicant

1. Call to order: Chair Bryan Watt called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M.
2. Approval of minutes: February 22, 2010 regular meeting minutes approved with correction.
3. Citizen comments on issues and items not on the agenda: None.
4. General business
 - a) Carnegie Center utilization decision process update: Bryan Watt provided an update about the process. The task force met on March 15. The consultant is doing additional research on the recommended strategies, and there will be another task force meeting held, date to be determined.
 - b) Ermatinger House: Scott Archer provided an update on the continuing discussions with the National Park Service to transfer the House.
 - c) Canemah Park Grant application: Scott Archer reported that the City, in partnership with Metro, is going to apply for a Local Government Grant through the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department. The grant request is for approximately \$500,000 – half of which would need to be matched by the City if successful. If received, the grant would be to develop the Canemah Children's (neighborhood) Park, per the adopted master plan.

There was discussion and questions about the R.V. Park plan.
 - d) Final 2010 PRAC goals: Scott Archer presented the final version of the PRAC goals as agreed upon. Mike Mitchell asked about how a PRAC member could initiate the process of moving forward on planning a dog park. Discussion about this topic ensued. The idea of Mike heading up a sub-committee for this project/process was discussed.
 - e) Trail & Promenade signage design project: Scott Archer provided an update on the design project process. Staff will bring draft designs to the next meeting.
 - f) End of Oregon Trail site process: The task force process to help the City determine what the future use of the E.O.T. site is getting under way. PRAC is invited to select a representative to sit on the task force. Ted Schumaker will be the representative and Rae Gordon will be the alternate.

5. PRAC member reports

- a) Rae Gordon:
 - i) Meeting on Thursdays will not work for her in the future. Would PRAC consider changing back to Mondays? Staff will check on available meeting dates.
 - ii) Is Hillendale Neighborhood Association chair. If there are PRAC issues, let her know.
- b) Ted Schumaker: Questions about access to Clackamas River Trail and the waste water treatment facility.
- c) Mike Mitchell: Visited the east coast recently. Noted the Boston area parks and the Battlefield Trail which connects heritage sites. Concept of connecting heritage sites in Oregon City.
- d) Bryan Watt: Oregon City Swim Team meet was held at O.C. Pool on March 14th. Continuing to discuss addition of 6th lane.

6. Director/staff reports

- a) Denise Kai provided reports on:
 - i) Spring Trail News is out.
 - ii) Facility improvements at Pioneer Center.
 - iii) Meals on Wheels March for Meals fundraiser under way.
 - iv) Pool was busy over spring break. Hiring of summer staff for pool and recreation is under way.
 - v) O.C.C.I.T. grant meeting next Tuesday. Applied for concert grant funding.
 - vi) Updated on Sportcraft Boat Ramp repair project.
- b) Scott Archer reported on:
 - i) Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife has announced a ban on sturgeon fishing between I-205 and the Willamette Falls. This will effectively eliminate the fishing on "the wall" along 99E in Oregon City.
 - ii) Pointed out the article on the Oregon City pool improvements in the spring edition of the Oregon Parks and Recreation magazine.

7. Next meeting date: April 22, 2010.

8. Meeting was adjourned at 8:48 PM.