



SCAPPOOSE *Oregon*

Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes

July 16th, 2020 6:00 pm – 6:45 pm

Meeting held virtually via telephone and web conference

Attendees:

Cara Heinze, Michael Leipzig, Lindsey Goodwick, Bryan Hammond, Alyse Lansing, Kristin Person, Dana Pricher, Councilor Joel Haugen, Huell White

Absent: JJ Duehren, Ivy Freimuth, Alex Rains, Kim Holmes-Kantrowitz

1. **CALL TO ORDER** - The meeting was called to order at 6:02 pm by Chair Cara Heinze. Cara took roll call given that all members were in attendance virtually.

1.1 Review Agenda

Cara asked to add the topic of a community library (mini-library) that was proposed by a local girl scout. Lindsey asked to add a brief discussion about homelessness in parks. Huell asked to add a discussion about the Grabhorn Parcel conceptual plan and an update on Movies in the Parks.

1.2 Approval of prior meeting minutes

Dana motioned to approve the June 18th minutes, seconded by Lindsey. Motion passed unanimously.

1.3 Public comment

None

2. **City Updates and Discussion**

2.1 Chair and Vice-Chair Election

Huell gave an overview of how the Committee's elections work. Cara and Lindsey both mentioned that they were happy to remain in their positions if no one else wanted to run. The present members first voted on Cara's candidacy – all members voted in favor, with Cara abstaining. Cara Heinze was unanimously elected Chair.

The present members then voted on Lindsey's candidacy – all members voted in favor, with Lindsey abstaining. Lindsey Goodwick was unanimously elected Vice Chair.



2.2 2020-2021 Team Agreement

Huell asked to move this item to the August meeting, to which the Committee agreed.

2.3 Public Works Update

Huell delivered the Public Works Update. Public Works crews continue through the busy season for parks, maintaining and trimming vegetation at parks and along the CZ Trail.

2.4 Mask Art Project

Councilor Haugen discussed his idea about an event with masks. Initially, the concept was to have a trail run incorporating mask art. Several members expressed concern about gatherings of any size and enforcing social distancing. The idea was raised that there could be a photo contest with mask art in Scappoose parks and the photos could be put together to form a large collage. The members agreed that this would be the safest option for an event/contest that allowed for creativity but ensured that there would be no issues with social distancing. Bryan made a motion for the masked photo contest, seconded by Dana. The motion passed unanimously. The Committee agreed to determine who the judges would be at the next meeting.

2.5 Community/Mini-Library

Cara asked about design and if there were construction specs available. Huell mentioned that he will send out the design specs that the City received for the community library that was donated and installed at Chief Concomly Park. Lindsey raised the idea of having a Friends of Scappoose Parks volunteer be assigned to manage/maintain each community library.

2.5 Homelessness in Parks

Lindsey brought up the concern about people experiencing homelessness in Scappoose parks is becoming more of an issue. Lindsey asked if the City had options for such situations where such folks could be connected with resources rather than have the police called to remove someone. Lindsey conceded that this might be more of a topic for the City Council, but that we as a community need to get ahead of it with the strain the pandemic is having on people experiencing homelessness.

2.5 Grabhorn Parcel Conceptual Plan

Huell gave an overview of the conceptual plan but cautioned the Committee that the design engineer team would be making some updates to the plan imminently. Dana helped explain the geotechnical components of the plan (such as cut-fill balances and the special requirements brought on by the site's proximity to the stream). Several members commented that the plan looked a little sterile or where concerned about the survival of the dog park – an important asset for residents. Huell reassured the Committee that this is a conceptual plan and does include a landscaping plan. Also, the dog park will remain, but will may be shifted around on the site.



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The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm. The next meeting will be held on July 16th, 2020 in a virtual setting at 6:00 pm.

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