



July 19, 2018

**PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

Scappoose City Hall, 33568 E Columbia Ave.

Regular meeting at 6:00 pm

Committee Members

David Powers, Chair (absent)	Peter McHugh, Vice-chair (absent)
Beth Zelfer	Jeannine Duehren (JJ)
Jolene Jonas (absent)	Alyse Lansing (absent)
Cara Heinze	Lindsey Goodwick
Dana Pricher	Bryan Hammond (absent)
Kristen Person (absent)	

Elected Officials, City Staff and Guests

Megan Greisen, City Councilor (absent)	Joel Haugen, City Councilor
Alex Rains, City Staff (absent)	Garett Peterson, RARE Participant
	Doug Nassimbene, Field Services Supervisor

Minutes

1. **Dave Powers called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm**
 - 1.1. JJ requested to add 2.7: Movies in the Park
 - 1.2. The meeting minutes from June were approved without modifications.
 - 1.3. Garett introduced Doug Nassimbene and informed the Committee that Doug would be replacing Dave Sukua as the Public Works/ Parks Department Liaison to the Committee. Doug currently serves as the Field Services Supervisor so he has direct knowledge of the parks and status of park projects. Doug is also heavily involved in the community and helps coach the local Little League baseball team. Everyone thanked Doug for coming and said they looked forward to working with him more in the coming year.



2. City Updates and Discussion

- 2.1 Garrett informed the Committee that is his last meeting on the Committee because his RARE service year is completed. Everyone thanked him for his help. Garrett then told the group that the City is currently interviewing candidates for a part time position that would take on many of the tasks that Garrett currently oversees. The Committee is excited to meet the new hire.
- 2.2 Michael Sykes updated everyone on the progress of the Vista Thinning process. He said Trout Mountain recommended a logging company and their bid has been accepted. The company has already started to prep the site for logging operations such as marking trees, clearing brush, and grading access roads. Dana brought up concerns from the local residents that the thinning operations will disturb water drainage and flow rates on the mountain which could lead to erosion and flooding during the next storms. Michael assured her that the Public Works Department has been working closely with the logging company to ensure all safety and environmental issues were addressed. Michael told her to keep him updated if she hears of any issues from the neighbors and he will make sure the City helps to correct them.
- 2.3 Michael gave the update on Chief Concomley Park. He said the City successfully renegotiated the contract with the park construction contractor to meet the desired cost and timeline. He said that development of the park should begin in the next few weeks and that the entire project should be completed in one season instead of split over multiple seasons. The only aspect of the park that will not be completed this season will be the natural play equipment which will be completed the following year. Everyone is really excited about the park.
- 2.4 Doug Nassimbene gave an update on the status of the current parks and projects. He said that generally the City is conducting general maintenance at all of the City Parks. He said the Park Staff have cleared more blackberry bushes and other brush from the CZ trail and they have additional plans to add more benches and garbage cans soon. Cara said that she recently went to the CZ trail and it looked the best she has ever seen it. Doug also said that the Parks Staff is going to use the extra dirt and fill from the Scappoose Creek Restoration project at Veterans Park as the fill to help grade the soccer fields at Miller Park. He said that should begin next month. Everyone thanked him for all the hard work and that the parks looked great. Lindsey then brought up the issue with the water conservation measures for the fountain has caused some issues with the parents trying to use the fountain as a splash pad for their children. Garrett then brought up how the Committee previously discussed that the City should have set usage time in the afternoon instead of a timed sequence throughout the day because it would maximize the usage during the hottest times of the day when parent/children/residents would actually like to get wet. Since Michael was present he said he would look into it because he



thought it was a good idea, but he has to make sure that the water usage would still be properly reduced using this method. Everyone agreed the issue was complicated, but they looked forward to having more discussions at a future time.

- 2.5 Garrett updated the group that the next Friends of Scappoose Meeting would be held after the Parks Committee.
- 2.6 "JJ" gave an update on Chapman landing and she said she believes that the County will give the property to the City in a few months. Everyone was optimistic.
- 2.7 "JJ" gave an update on Movies in the Park that will be held during August. The event will be held on Friday nights starting at 7 pm. She then passed on the event flyers that had the movie list. Everyone seemed excited about the event.

Announcements

- 3.1 No announcements.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned 6:50 pm. The next meeting will be held on August 16, 2018 at 6:00 pm in the City Council Chambers.

For questions about these minutes, contact Garrett Peterson, 503-543-7184 or gpeterson@cityofscappoose.org.

This meeting will be conducted in a handicap accessible room. If special accommodations are needed, contact City Recorder Susan Reeves at 503-543-7146, Ext. 224. TTY 503-378-5938