



PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

January 13, 2022 at 4:00 PM

Virtual - Zoom

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board was held at the Parks and Recreation Administration Building beginning at 4:00 p.m. on January 13, 2022. The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m., followed by roll call.

1. Roll Call

PRESENT

Chair James Barnes

Vice-Chair Daniel Christensen

Member Nathan Early

Member Jennifer Link Raschko (arrived at 4:32 pm)

Member Steve Werts

ABSENT

Member Amanda Aird

Member Dahe Chen

STAFF PRESENT

Kris Ammerman, Parks and Recreation Director

Brian Stevenson, Program Manager

Dustin Schull, Parks Supervisor

Erica Behler, Recreation Coordinator

Laura Ruggles, Program Coordinator

2. Introduction of New Board Member

There were none.

3. Approval of Minutes: October 14, 2021

Nathan Early shared that he had moved out of Wilsonville. Brian stated that that would make Nathan ineligible to serve on the board. At the call to order, a quorum was not present to approve the minutes. When Jennifer joined the meeting, the group decided to defer approval of the minutes until the next meeting.

CITIZEN INPUT

There were none.

2021 BOARD OFFICER APPOINTMENTS – BOARD

Daniel Christensen nominated Jim Barnes as chair. Jim accepted the nomination. Jennifer Link Raschko seconded the nomination. John (Steve) Wertz made the motion to elect Jim as chair and Daniel seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Daniel offered to be vice chair. Jim made the motion to elect Daniel as vice chair. All voted in favor.

PARKS & RECREATION TEAM UPDATES

4. 2021 Highlights

Parks and Recreation Director Kris Ammerman introduced the 2021 highlight presentation and emphasized the hard work of Brian, Dustin, Erica, and their respective divisions within the team. Recreation Coordinator Erica highlighted Spring Fling events, the Block Party, the Harvest Festival, the Story Walk Project with the Library, and Winterfest. Program Coordinator Brian Stevenson discussed the Senior Stocking program, the return of in-person programming at the Community Center, the introduction of virtual reality programming, precautions taken during COVID-19, the Korean War Memorial Interpretive Center, and the Home Delivered Meal Program. Parks Supervisor Dustin Schull emphasized how 2021 was an unprecedented year in many ways, including during the February ice storm. He added that the Parks Maintenance team brought back seasonal displays by park entrances, the Nature Play area was completed, trees were replanted after the ice storm, and the Memorial Park central restroom is in the process of being replaced. Dustin concluded by highlighting a list of potential projects on the horizon for 2022. Jim asked about a kayak or boat ramp, which Dustin explained there needs to be more exploration for ADA access. Jim also asked about a bicycle pump track in Memorial or Boones Ferry, and Dustin confirmed it is in the master plan. Jim also asked about the Community Opportunity Grant award for the carved pumpkin, and Brian let the board know it had been carved by the artist and had found a home on a private piece of property but is viewable to the public.

2022 BOARD GOALS & ACTION ITEMS – BOARD

Jim shared a list of possible ways the board could support Parks and Recreation goals and programs. These included having each board member come up with an idea for a new course or offering, volunteer at a department event, attend a class or recreation activity, and recommend a minor park improvement. Steve said he was fine with these goals. Daniel agreed that they sounded reasonable. Nathan said all the goals were tangible and achievable. Daniel motioned to support the Parks and Recreation Department

through these goals and Jennifer seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Erica shared that the Egg Hunt and W.E.R.K. Day were the next two planned events that board members could volunteer.

PARKS REPORT

5. River Fox Playground RFP Discussion

Dustin discussed the River Fox Park Playground Project, including the community input that went into the design and how the project will be modified from the current design.

BOARD COMMENTS

There were none.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 5:02 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

Thursday, April 14, 2022