

Philomath Park Advisory Board
Thursday, January 10, 2019
Minutes

Committee Chair: Dale Collins
Committee Secretary Izzie Elliott
Committee Members: Carol Leach Mal Miner, Lindy Young, Spencer Irwin
City Staff: Chris Workman

Meeting began at 5:00.

1. Roll Call

Present today: Dale, Izzie, Carol, Lindy, Spencer, Chris
Guests: Michael Sprouse, Sandy Heath, Kristen Beckstead, Wade Haslam

2. Approval of minutes

November 8, 2018 minutes were approved.

Quick update from Chris Workman

Sonya's term (which was filled by Izzie) as well as Lindy's 3 year term on the Park Advisory Board expired on December 31, 2018.

Both Izzie and Lindy have reapplied and Mayor (elect) Niemann approved their positions. In addition Caleb Unema was approved by the mayor. All three names will go to council for approval this Monday, January 14th. Term is 3 years.

3. Old Business

- 3.1 11th Street Park Bid Process Chris reported documents are ready to go out. Bids usually come in 3-4 weeks. Waiting on vault for electric. City engineer, Public Works, and a rep from our group will have upcoming meetings to discuss particulars. Chris explained we will have future meetings in which our group will discuss budget, volunteers, and grand opening. The question was raised about possible relatives we could invite to grand opening of Flossie Overman. Lindy will ask the Genealogy Society to help with this query.
- 3.2 Spring Photo Contest Chris said he will email to all of us a list of rules he has regarding photo contest. We can then look it over and suggest revisions. Spencer will be the chairperson. Promote the contest in February and begin April 1.
- 3.3 Music in the Park Dale talked with new band teacher and indicated the school will perform on May 23rd. Dale has booked DOUBLE PLAY for July 18th. Carol has spoken with a potential band for June and will look into sponsors. Goal is to get this locked in for the February meeting. Dates: May 23, June 20, July 18, August 15
- 3.4 Tennis Court. Kristen Beckstead spoke about the letter their group would like to send to Georgia-Pacific. They need the permission from Parks Advisory Board to be a sponsor for this grant as well as future grants to raise the money for 6 planned tennis courts to be built on public school property. They were here specifically to seek permission to use the Park Advisory Board letterhead. Chris announced that there were SDC funds available to assist with the project. On p.46 of the Parks Advisory Binder (Parks Master Plan Feb 2016) tennis courts are listed as a Priority 2 Capital Funds Project. Wade mentioned that other

groups are more likely to support the project with sums of money if they know there is financial support coming from the City. There were questions about using the court during school time or after school hours. Kristen mentioned that their goal was that this facility would not be locked but that the community would have access. If the city was going to fund a majority of the needed funds, the school district would need to maintain the courts. Wade mentioned that resurfacing would need to be done every 8-10 years and nets would need to be replaced as needed. Wade also mentioned there are some “in kind” donations of gravel and excavation work.

A recommendation was made by the group to offer \$200,000 towards the project. This will be officially stated at the Monday, Jan. 14th Council Meeting. Dale will represent the group. Spencer will be there as well.

4. New Business

Izzie commented that there has been some talk amongst citizens on the Nextdoor Philomath site regarding upgrading of the current skate park. Izzie asked what would be the correct answer for them. The process would be to write a letter, form a committee and present themselves to the Parks board with their concern.

Other new Business

Dale reported that the acoustics have been hung in the Randy Kugler complex. Dale has proposed that screen prints of Historic Philomath be hung on the acoustics.

Meeting ended at 6:14