

Yamhill County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes

Monday June 18, 2018

Community Corrections Annex

Board Members Present, Galen McBee, Steve Harloff, Erica Thomas. Jim Culbert, Roger Hall, Tim Duerfeldt, Marie Vicksta, Neyssa Hays, Suzanda Branson

Board Members absent: Dave Hanson, Bill Pallotto, Anne Lane

Staff: Brett Henry, Jessica Beach

<p>Next Meeting July 16, 2018</p>

Chair Jim Culbert opened meeting at 5:32 pm. A motion was made by Tim Duerfeldt and seconded by Roger Hall to approve the May minutes as previously edited. Motion passed.

Brett introduced Jessica Beach as the DCJ Director. She gave the board a brief background on her job and responsibilities. Each board member present, introduced themselves and gave Jessica a quick background.

Brett discussed with the board the plan for building access and the need for security within the building. The procedure for public access to Park Board meetings was explained. For those arriving late, phone numbers will be posted and the cell phones monitored to allow access to the board meetings by late arrivals. Brett has a new work cell phone that will be used for this.

The annual Park Board summer picnic was discussed and it was agreed that the picnic would be held at Lafayette Locks Historical Park on the date the regular September 17th meeting, 5:30 PM, with a brief business meeting followed by a potluck.

Brett gave a report on the Rogers Landing floating docks and a design flaw in which the float sides are deteriorating. The State Marine Board recognizes the problem and has agreed to amend the grant to allow a permanent fix using redesigned Wale Blocks at a cost of about \$15 thousand. With only two contractors qualified to do the repair work, and only one willing to work over water, the Topper Industries contractor will be contacted to proceed with the repairs by the end of August

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Brett reported on the ongoing conversations with the Ed Grenfell neighbors. Shoring up the fencing on the south side of the park and defining the park boundaries with fencing and signage continues. Meetings and conversations with the neighbors will continue.

Brett reported on the temporary fixes to the bridge at Charles Metsker Park. A contractor with a 200 ft. hose was able to reach and pump out the park toilet. It is hoped the footbridge to the dock can be replaced this Fall.

Under old and continuing business, Brett reported on the Deer Creek Nature Park sign committee, which has met with Sea Reach in Sheridan in order to investigate signage options. We are impressed with the quality and variety of their products. When final design style is selected it has been suggested that this would also serve as a standard design to be used in all the county parks. Brett reported that the sub-committee is comprised of Jim Culbert, Dave Hanson and Neyssa Hays and Teresa Crain (non-Parks Board member). Steve Harloff indicated his interest in also being involved with the committee.

The status of the Park System Master Plan subcommittee was discussed. A general discussion was conducted on the development of the master plan with the goal a 20 year living document.

Brett gave a Yamhelas Westsider Trail update. The Yamhill County Commissioners re-voted, this time to amend the County Transportation Plan to include the trail. The next step will be to obtain grants for development of a master plan for trail development. Two grants applications requesting \$100,000 for the master plan are currently being considered, with results to be made in August. An additional project in the works is the design and construction of bridges on the first section of the trail.

The Tanglebox Program was discussed. The wrong address for Wortman Park is in the Passport. Brett plans to print labels that will be affixed to the remaining passports, with the correct address.

Brett again asked the board for volunteers to assist in the celebration of the 175th anniversary of Yamhill County. The celebration event will be June 30th at the Yamhill County Historical Museum facilities on Hwy. 18.

Brett will meet with State Marine Board engineers sometime in August or September to explore a possible location for a boat slide for river access at Lafayette Locks Historic Park.