



Park & Recreation Board

PARB

Tuesday, April 25, 2006

6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Regular Meeting

MINUTES

Attendees: Kate MacCready, Sherri Dow, Ray Harris, Sonny Newson, Mart Hughes, Bob Cooper

Absent: Rob Gabrish,

Staff: JoAnn Herrigel, Joan Young

Minutes

Dow noted a typo and motioned for approval of the April minutes with that correction. Harris seconded and motion passed 6-0.

Introduce new member

Bob Cooper was introduced to the group as a new PARB member. Bob lives in Milwaukie and works for Multnomah County Libraries. He and his wife have a small child and are frequent park users.

Milwaukie Center Re-Naming:

Herrigel noted that the Center/Community Advisory Board (C/CAB) had forwarded a request for a name change for the Milwaukie Center. The proposed name was North Clackamas Community Center.

Young noted:

- This is a ten year old issue
- It's been suggested the center get a new name due to its regional nature (and with Happy Valley being added – the region is expanding)
- The idea is to be more inclusive
- When pursuing grants – the more inclusive the better
- The C/CAB did a great deal of brainstorming and requested input through their newsletter
- They formed an Ad Hoc committee to review ideas and propose names – this group developed the criteria stated in the letter

Board questions/comments:

- Newson – any names of people? Young – many were considered but none chosen.
- MacCready: process is like Riverfront Park naming – lots of ideas but end up with the name that most people use anyway.
- Harris: I like North Clackamas Community Center
- Hughes: This is a political issue. Milwaukie might want to keep the current name. I suggest we get the recommendation out to the NDAs and see what input we get.

Herrigel agreed to distribute the proposed name to all NDAs along with the letter from the C/CAB.

IGA Discussion

Herrigel went over the areas of the IGA that she felt needed additional work by the PARB before negotiations began with the District staff. The group agreed that Council had directed staff at the recent Council work session with PARB to begin negotiations. Herrigel asked if the group wanted to address these final issues together at their regular meetings or form a subgroup. The group agreed that the whole group should be involved.

It was requested that Herrigel put a few items on each agenda for the next few meetings .

It was also asked that the versions be dated so the group could track their progress.

City Updates:

Mart said he'd be absent for the June meeting

Herrigel reminded the group that she'd be on vacation for the month of July – so the July meeting would be cancelled.

Stewardship Group

Herrigel reported that she had attended one Stewardship meeting (oversight group for North Clackamas Park) and would attend another on Wednesday. She said the group was still developing a mission and working principles.

Riverfront Concept

Herrigel showed the group the final Riverfront Park concept proposed to City Council on May 16 by the Riverfront Board. She said staff would be issuing an RFP by August for the final park design.

Lewelling Community Park

Construction will begin on Lewelling Park by June 1 and should be complete by the end of July 2006.

District Update:

- Happy Valley approved joining the North Clackamas Park district by 33 votes. There was a 29% turnout for the election.
- Happy Valley will be given in-District rates to facilities immediately but Milwaukie Center services will be set up by July 1.
- North Clackamas Park sculpture committee put out an RFP and will pay \$10,000 for the final art. The Blue Spruce on the site was removed and will be replaced with the chosen art.
- The secondary gate at NCP has been closed during construction which has caused some consternation among users.
- Contract for NCP construction is signed and work will begin next week
- Road to Center is not completed yet. 1st layer is done but may not be up to quality so may be dug up and slurry applied. There will be a sidewalk on the north side of Rusk.
- Young noted that off leash dog activity has become common when users know that code officers are not on duty. An alternate schedule was requested to patrolling the park. It was also noted that the "black car the officers use has been identified and alternate car may need to be used.
- Young noted that interviews were being conducted for a "Sport Field Coordinator" and final candidates were being reviewed.
- Eastside Athletics is still working with the District on Plans for the dry-side facility at the Aquatics Park
- Young invited PARB members to attend a meeting at the Aquatics Park on June 27th to discuss the development and expansion at the OIT/Aquatics park facilities.
- The second public hearing for the Stringfield property will be June 6.

Harris motioned to adjourn, MacCready seconded and motion passed 6-0.