



Park and Recreation Board PARB

June 26, 2007
7:30 am to 9 am
Regular Meeting

MINUTES

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

Absent: Val Hubbard

Staff: JoAnn Herrigel, Joan Young, Rose Marti,

Minutes

Hughes moved to approve the May minutes, MacCready seconded and motion passed 5-0..

District Update

Young reported she attended the first master planning meeting for North Clackamas Park and about forty-five people attended. The issues and comments made involved parking, the need for more “open spaces”, the wish to not increase recreational activities, increasing quiet areas and trails, and the suggestion to move the off-leash area to the N.E. corner of the park. Young said that overall, most comments were positive. Young advised that consultants are looking at the information that came out of the meeting, and should have conceptual ideas by August.

- Young asked how the PARB had decided to use the \$50,000 the District had allocated to the City for 2007-08. Herrigel said she felt that, although there are many projects worthy of the funds, the tennis courts at Century Park seemed the most appropriate use.
- Dow asked if the tennis courts were even used and Herrigel replied that they probably would be if they were repaired.
- Young suggested in the future coming up with a list of potential projects.
- Hughes asked if other options could be considered for the current monies.
- Young suggested consulting with Cayson.

Parks SDC Increase

Herrigel reported that she met with Dan Zinzer and Mike Swanson regarding the District's proposal to increase Park SDCs. She said that the 2004 SDC rates were lower than needed and that the proposed rates reflect the amount needed to accomplish what is currently in the Capital Improvements Plan.

The group generally responded that they felt the increase was important and emphasized that they thought Milwaukie's rate should be the same as the east and west of I-205 rates in order to generate adequate funding for parks.

MacCready motioned to support the District's proposed S.D.C. rate increase with the stipulation that Milwaukie rates be even with those in the other two proposed categories. Dow seconded and the motion passed 5-0.

City Project Update

Herrigel reported (sarcastically) that Hughes had given a strong and positive presentation to City Council.

Herrigel reported on South Corridor light rail meetings regarding Main and McLoughlin alignments and advised that transcripts from both Planning Commission meetings are available.

Board comments:

- Harris questioned how local business weighed in (Herrigel noted that many did not – but several businesses from the McLoughlin Building did testify).
- MacCready asked if a decision had been made of which alignment would be used for the North end of Milwaukie. Herrigel said a decision about which alignments to take into the SDEIS would be made in July.

Herrigel discussed the need to fix the Scott Park fountain, and suggested that one option would be to dismantle the fountain, and then use the materials to build a stone bench as a memorial.

- Harris suggested locating the bench adjacent to the parking lot to increase visibility
- The group discussed concerns raised recently regarding public littering and vandalism. Harris suggested that perhaps the City should institute a "Public Caning" program such as that used in Singapore.

Herrigel said that she will go before the City Council in July to present modifications to the District IGA, and encouraged PARB members to attend.

Harris announced that the Lewelling neighborhood picnic at Lewelling Community Park was planned for the last Saturday in July.

Harris moved to adjourn and Dow seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

