



**Hood River Valley Parks and Recreation District  
Board of Directors Regular Meeting  
Wednesday, June 6, 2018 6:00 pm  
Hood River Aquatic Center**

**Minutes**

**In Attendance:**

**Board Members:** Glenna Mahurin, Anna Cavaleri, Nan Noteboom, Mike McCarthy

**Staff:** District Director Mark Hickok, Assistant Director Marcie Wily, Contract Accountant Monica Morris

**Members of the Public:** Susan Crowley, Michael McElwee, Kristin Chapman, Steven Hawley, Elizabeth Whelan, Kent Heighton

**Hood River Valley Parks & Recreation District 2018/19 Budget Public Hearing**

Mahurin opened the budget hearing at 6:00pm.

Susan Crowley encouraged the board to think about the growth in the west side and open space acquisition effort in the next budget cycle. She wanted more money set aside for acquisition, particularly in the city.

Kristin Chapman agreed with much of Crowley's public comment, and stated she was encouraged by the Multi-Jurisdictional Master Plan. She said that the Board needs to look further in the future – up to 20 years, and she said that our town could really use a community center.

Mahurin closed the budget hearing at 6:07pm and opened the regular board of director's meeting.

**Regular District Board Meeting**

**Call Regular Meeting to Order**

The regular Board of Director's opened at 6:07pm.

**Comments from the General Public**

Steven Hawley said that he got a notice from a neighbor that he should come to this meeting, so he came as a citizen to listen to the meeting.

Michael McElwee came on behalf of the water polo and the rate schedule. He said that he came wearing two hats: as Port Director and Parent of a water polo parent. As Port Director, he said that he was looking forward to the Multi-Jurisdictional Master Plan and better inter-agency cooperation. As a parent and liaison to the high school water polo team, he asked for a negotiated rate structure for how to deal with the high school teams and suggested a lower rate structure for high school teams versus club teams, as well as a negotiated fee for the summer water polo tournament, which is a fundraiser for the team.

Susan Crowley encouraged the board to be assertive in how much the Parks District charges for SDC rates.

Kristin Chapman said that she came from a developer family, and she encouraged the board to be more aggressive in how much they charge for SDC rates.

**Review Minutes**

1. May 16, 2018 – Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Noteboom made a motion to approve. Cavaleri seconded. All approved.

**Consent Agenda**

None

**Special Report**

## 2. Multi-Jurisdictional Master Plan Update

Steve Duh introduced himself and reviewed the items that had taken place thus far: a kickoff meeting, the first Technical Advisory Committee meeting, as well as individual stakeholder interview sessions. Duh said that what they learn from the stakeholder meetings will help form future questions for the survey. The team has also done site assessments, where landscape architects walked through various sites to determine future needs.

Duh asked the board what they want to see accomplished by 2028. Noteboom talked about a new pool with a community center, a long-term funding plan that addresses operations as well as capital, which would ultimately allow for parkland acquisition and turf fields in Odell. Mahurin said that she would like to see the trail connection needed to complete access on the Indian Creek Trail on the Campbell Property. McCarthy encouraged Duh to study state land use law, specifically using the input of Department of Land Conservation and Development. Duh emphasized that it has been made clear that the city and county be Goal 8 compliant so that it can be adopted into each agency's comprehensive plans. Cavaleri said that she wanted a community center, trails that are connected to parks, neighborhoods, and places people want to go, as well as eventually connecting a trail system all the way to Parkdale, possibly through rails to trails. She said that she wanted to make recreational opportunities available to everyone. McCarthy said there needs to be a vision for future land acquisition. The board emphasized that communication with the other agencies was needed, and that recreational programming likely would be needed to be moved from the school district to the parks district.

### Unfinished Business

#### 3. Review Employee Manual

Morris reviewed the employee manual, which covered cell phone usage and email. Noteboom made the motion to approve the revisions to the employee manual. McCarthy seconded. All approved.

### New Business

#### 4. Resolution 17/18 #4 Approval of FY18/19 HRVPRD Budget

Cavaleri made a motion to approve Resolution 17/18 #4 for the fiscal year budget for 2018-19. Noteboom seconded the motion. All approved.

#### 5. Resolution 17/18 #5 Set the FY18/19 HRVPRD SDC Rate

Noteboom moved that we approve to approve the SDC Rate for Fiscal Year 2018-19. Cavaleri seconded the motion. All approved.

#### 6. Resolution 17/18 #6 Set the FY18/19 HRVPRD District Meeting Dates

McCarthy moved to approve the Budget meeting dates for FY 18/19. Noteboom seconded the motion. All approved.

#### 7. First Reading of Ordinance 18/19# 1 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE RATES FOR HOOD RIVER VALLEY PARKS AND RECREATION DISTRICT

Wily gave an update to the Rate Schedule Ordinance, which includes new rates for the multi-purpose courts and picnic shelters. Mahurin asked for clarification on the McElwee's public comment regarding water polo Discussion was had regarding the fee structure, the estimated times the team practices, as well as the number of people on the team. Wily explained that for the rate schedule to be set as an ordinance it had to go through two readings before it was approved and that the board could move to read the ordinance by title only rather than reading each rate individually. McCarthy gave the first reading of the Ordinance 18/19 #1 by title only.

**Reports** (*informational, no action needed*)

8. 2018/19 Rate Schedule Update

This update was given during the first reading of the ordinance.

9. Financial Report

Hickok stated that the financial report was going to be postponed until the next meeting. Because there was a meeting, just two weeks prior, not enough financial information had come in to do a full and accurate report.

10. Directors Report

Elizabeth Whelan came to speak on behalf of the Gorge Pickleball Association and ask for a solution to the windscreen issue. She stated that wind affects the players ability to play. She presented a wind screen with clear windsurfing material that could be inserted in the screens on the westside of the court. She said that up to four clear screens could be used and asked for a solution and board approval.

Kent Heighton stated that perhaps the screens could be painted with so that it could be more aesthetically appealing.

Hickok reviewed some of the options for various wind screens. Board members expressed safety concerns, as well as distaste for the aesthetics. Discussion was had about the windscreens, the pros and cons, as well as the effort of making it functional and safe.

Two volunteers painted the bowl in the skate park to help remove the graffiti.

Hickok stated that progress has made with the Children’s Park construction, but that more volunteers were desperately needed. He said that Board Member Carroll had signed up for most of the shifts. In lieu of a normal staff meeting, full time staff opted to volunteer to work on the construction project later in the week.

Hickok stated Carroll and Cavaleri made some progress weeding the bocce court at Golden Eagle. Staff is exploring options for making the courts more usable, as the sand is too loose.

There has been no progress with the dog park. We plan to spend more time on this project after the Golden Eagle Opening.

11. Aquatic Center Report

Like the financial report, Wily reported that no Aquatic Center Report would be given. Morris stated that she attended the most recent staff meeting and reviewed hours work, breaks, cell phone use with the staff.


Executive Session


12. Executive Session, if necessary per ORS 192.660 (The District Board will now meet in executive session. All members of the audience are asked to leave the room. No decision may be made in executive session. At the end of the executive session, we will return to open session and welcome the audience back into the room.)

None needed.

Adjourn

Noteboom made a motion to adjourn. Mahurin seconded. All approved.

 Approved By \_\_\_\_\_ Date 7/18/18

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