

**HOOD RIVER VALLEY PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

June 17, 2015

President, Glenna Mahurin, called the meeting to order. Others present: Directors, Art Carroll, Renee van de Griend; District Director, Lori Stirn; Assistant District Director, Scott Baker; District Bookkeeper, Joyce Weseman; Guests, Randy Klantchnek and Director-elect, Mike McCarthy.

Randy Klantchnek spoke about noise and the use of profanity by park users.

Consent Agenda

There were no changes to the agenda.

Approval of May 20th Minutes

There was not a quorum of board members present who had attended the May 20th, 2015 meeting, so approval of the minutes was postponed until the July meeting.

Odell Park

Lori has requested and received bids from Dale Haglund to remove the skateboard elements that seem to draw the troublemakers to the park. The bid is for \$2800 to remove three elements; \$5800 to remove all of the elements. Before going to that expense, it was decided to try the following things first:

- Hire staff to patrol the park and do maintenance work during the evening.
- Pursue an IGA with the County Sherriff's Department in which the District would pay for police response to calls about problems at the park.
- Add more rules signage, especially near the NE corner

Resolution 14-15/6, Adopting the 2015-2016 Budget

Renee moved to adopt this resolution; second by Art; the motion passed.

Resolution 14-15/5, Approving SDC Fee Increases for 2015-2016

Art moved to adopt this resolution; second by Renee; the motion passed.

Resolution 14-15/4, Volunteer Worker's Compensation

This resolution provides workers compensation for Board members for 2015-2016. Renee moved to adopt this resolution; second by Art; the motion passed.

TPL Polling/Funding Options

The Board discussed the Trust For Public Lands first round polling results. Results thus far seem to indicate that the public is satisfied with the job the District is doing on operating and maintaining facilities, and that there are mixed attitudes about the need for more recreation facilities. This could mean that it will be difficult to demonstrate the need for more funding at this time. Board consensus is to suspend this process until a more urgent need can be demonstrated.

2015-2016 Board Meeting Dates

It was decided to postpone the July meeting to July 29, 2015. The meeting schedule will be further reviewed at that meeting.

Financial Reports

The Board reviewed the current Budget to Actual Financial report. The income and expenses are as expected, or better than expected, for this time of the year.

A long-range financial planning committee has been formed to study income and expense trends. The goal is to be able to predict possible future funding shortages. John Everitt and Lynn Rasmussen have agreed to be on this committee, along with Lori and Joyce.

The County has terminated a property agreement with Columbia Gorge Community College that would have facilitated campus expansion in Hood River. As a partner in this project, the District had agreed to defer its share of the distribution of the sale proceeds of five tax foreclosed properties. As a result of the termination of the agreement, the District will receive about \$4400 in back property taxes.

Directors Report

Art suggested that Karen be commended for her service to the Board. He would like to express appreciation for four years of hard work, pointing out the new ideas and diverse thinking she brought to the Board. She was a great President, and represented the mountain biking groups very well.

County Planning has responded that Community Gardens are not necessarily allowed on EFU land, i.e. Barrett Park. The literal interpretation of land use planning law means that the land must be used to make money. Renee took exception to the idea that it is allowable to make money from farm land, but not allowable for a family to grow their own food on the same land.

The Campbell property is on the market for \$1.7 million. Discussion with City Planning indicates that access, wetlands, floodplains, etc., will make it very hard and expensive to develop this property. The Board asked that Lori remind City Planning that, should somebody buy it for development, the District is still very interested in an easement across the wetlands to complete Segment 2 of the Indian Creek Trail.

Lori has been contacted about unleashed dogs causing problems on Segment 2 of the ICT near the golf course. Lori will pursue signage that will list rules for dog owners.

The SS ICT conditional use permit has been approved with very few conditions.

A conceptual dog park design has been completed. Staff will be presenting it to the Port and to the City of Hood River.

A copy of this report is included as part of these minutes.

Aquatic Center Report

This is shaping up to possibly be the largest pool revenue year to date. The new outdoor pool in The Dalles will open June 20th, 2015. We expect to see some impact on admission, at least, initially.

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Executive Session-ORS 192.660 (2)(e)—Real Property Transactions

The Board entered Executive Session

Return from Executive Session

Upon return from Executive Session, the Board decided to pursue an option agreement for the purchase of the Joyce Reinig property on Guignard Drive. Purchase and development of this property is the District's best chance to use the State Parks grant money that has been held since Barrett Park was not

approved for development. A community meeting will be held next week to take public input. After that, Attorney, Jeff Baker, will work out the terms of the agreement.

Adjournment

Renee moved to adjourn the meeting; second by Art; the motion passed. The next regular meeting will be July 29, 2015 at 6:00 pm.

Date Signed _____

President, Glenna Mahurin

ATTEST, Board Member

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