

**Hood River Valley Parks and Recreation District**  
**Director's Report** May 18th, 2016

Public meetings for Golden Eagle Park have been scheduled on June 2 and June 7<sup>th</sup> at the Hood River Fire Station at 6pm. Staff will make a presentation at the Hood River County School District Board meeting on May 25<sup>th</sup>

Matt English, County Sherriff; Dan Goldman, School Superintendent and District Director are requesting the Park District help fund cameras on the trail heads near the High School.

Staff have scheduled meetings with the City, County, School District and Port to discuss the new SDC methodology process.

We will be hiring a trail consultant to install a 20' bridge and 75' outer wall on the Southside Indian Creek Trail.

Staff are working on some new summer programs. These include partnering with Columbia River Volks Sport hosting the first Volks Sport Triathlon on June 16-19<sup>th</sup>. The District is co-sponsoring the Ultimate Frisbee season. The City is partnering with the Park District to offer a family friendly bike ride and event this summer. We hope to coordinate an Odell Community Park play day with a few community projects and then activities and food. Staff have submitted a request to host a Pump track demo with a premier vendor of moveable pump tracks. We hope to co-host a Drone competition event at Barrett Park. There's an opportunity to obtain a free vert ramp from a local individual in Underwood. The well-built ramp is 20x20.

The Nazarene Church at the corner of Belmont and 22<sup>nd</sup> has open space that is roughly 165'x 225'. (37,125 square feet). Their new pastor wanted to find out if the Park District would be willing to "upkeep" the property in exchange for the District being able to program it. He is talking with the Board at his Church to see what other stipulations they might have. If the Park District is interested, we'd have to have an administration review on the land use.

The City, Port and Park District are working on details for an IGA and final plans to submit to the City Planning for a site-plan review for the Dog Park located on both the city and port properties off of Portway.

With the new part-time position to help create new programs staff will evaluate job descriptions to make the Recreation Coordinator successful and take advantage of current staffs skills.

Eligible employees will be changing health care providers to United Health Care through the BMI group in Hood River.

After the June 8<sup>th</sup> final presentation by MURP, the Board will discuss the direction and process for the Blackman/Skakel property.

Lori will be on vacation June 20<sup>th</sup>-July 5<sup>th</sup>. The next regularly scheduled Board meeting is June 15th at the Aquatic Center.