



**Bend Park &
Recreation**
DISTRICT

Board of Directors

August 11, 2015 Special Call Board Meeting

BOARD PRESENT

Craig Chenoweth, Chair
Ted Schoenborn, Vice Chair
Nathan Hovekamp
Brady Fuller
Ellen Grover

STAFF PRESENT

Don Horton, Executive Director
Michelle Healy, Strategic Planning & Design Director
Matt Mercer, Director of Recreation
Pat Erwert, Park Services Director
Theresa Albert, HR Manager
Jan Taylor, Community Relations Manager
Steve Jorgensen, Planning Manager
Jim Figurski, Landscape Architect
Brian Hudspeth, Construction Manager
Jeff Haggler, Park Stewardship Manager
Chelsea Schneider, Landscape Architect



VISITORS

Justin Gotleib – Mr. Gotleib shared that he has participated since 2011. He said that he had just completed a 90 day backpacking trip throughout Oregon and the most beautiful park in the state is Mingus Park in Coos Bay. He also stated that he gave recent testimony at the City of Bend, and shared that he had picked up an envelope of cash.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Meeting Minutes - 7/21/2015
2. Approve construction contract for Skyline ADA improvements
3. Approve amendment to RRNR consultant contract
4. Approve construction contract for Juniper Park Tennis Court Replacement

Director Schoenborn made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Director Grover seconded. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

BUSINESS SESSION

1. Approve Farewell Bend Bridge engineering contract – *Jim Figurski*

Mr. Figurski shared that the request originally went out in March of 2015, for consultant services to evaluate the condition and expected useful life of the Farewell Bend Bridge; review two previous assessments done in 2008 and in 2014; and provide recommendations for the repair or replacement of the bridge. He said that only one proposal was submitted in response to the advertisement. The single proposal was rejected and the scope of the project clarified. It was then re-advertised on May 7, 2015. Five proposals were submitted on June 19, 2015 in response to the second advertisement. The design team led by Parametrix of Bend, Oregon was selected by the review committee to enter into contract negotiations with the District.

Mr. Figurski stated that Phase I of the proposed project includes a review and assessment of the existing Farewell Bend Bridge with a recommendation for either repair or replacement of the existing bridge taking into consideration both initial and life cycle costs. Phase II work would entail complete construction documents necessary to replace or repair the existing bridge; obtaining all necessary land use, environmental and construction permits and construction services.

Director Schoenborn moved to authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a contract with Parametrix in the amount of \$84,150 for the assessment and repairs of or replacement of Farewell Bend Bridge and to approve a total budget for consultant services not to exceed \$92,565. Director Fuller seconded. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

2. Approve Rockridge Park Master Plan – *Jim Figurski*

Mr. Figurski said that Rockridge is a 36 acre site, almost entirely outside the UGB, the the area outside the UGB goes through the County process for planning. He said that there are two phases of the master plan; the first focusing on neighborhood park improvement and the second on community scale improvements. Mr. Figurski shared the public outreach efforts and responses.

Mr. Figurski explained that the initial phase of construction is expected to include the neighborhood park elements in the southwest corner of the site, major path systems and the required off-site improvements to Egypt Drive. The cost for the initial phase is estimated at \$1,278,859 including all soft costs. A refined cost estimate and phasing plan for construction will be completed during design development following approval of the Master Plan. The fiscal-year 2016-2020 CIP includes \$1,310,460 in system development charges for the planning, design, construction documents, permitting and initial construction of the neighborhood park elements of Rockridge Park. Additional funding for the remainder of the park development would need to be considered for inclusion in a future CIP.

Mr. Figurski said that adoption of the Master Plan does not commit the District to expending funds for the park's development, but will further the cost of design and construction documents. Once the project is bid, it will go back to the Board for consideration of the development contract.

Director Fuller made a motion to approve the Rockridge Park Master Plan. Director Grover seconded. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

3. Approve Master Plan for Stone Creek neighborhood park site – *Chelsea Schneider*

Ms. Schneider said that this neighborhood park is located in the underserved SE quadrant of the district. She explained that it is a developer built park, the developer will build it out and the District will purchase it upon completion. She said that there are many unique aspects of the site, including views to the south, an ASI that encompasses over half of the area and significant rock features both within and outside of the ASI. Ms. Schneider stated that the developer had conducted two neighborhood meetings. They were well attended and a lot of feedback was provided. She shared that there is a lot of desire that the sentiment of the neighborhood association be conveyed to the Board that more needs to be done in this area. They shared that it is sufficient for a neighborhood but there needs to be larger gathering spaces and more opportunities for sports fields in this area of Bend.

Ms. Schneider discussed the opportunities to partner with Silver Rail Elementary and briefly covered the difference between wild side and naturehood play areas. She explained that the naturehood focus is to encourage kids to get out in to nature by using parks as stepping stones, a more natural step for them to get out. Having these areas adjacent to schools support the teachers and curriculums for the sites. It is programmatic and more directly connected to education. Wild side areas are free play, encouraging kids to get out and create and build without expectations of learning outcomes.

Ms. Schneider stated that the projects is under budget and the timeline for land use and breaking ground is for this fall; anticipated purchase in the Spring.

Executive Director Horton added that the amount of turf is significantly less than from what we have historically put in neighborhood parks. He said that the District is looking at what is the appropriate area of turf; in addition to conserving water, we are hearing from the public that natural space is what they really cherish.

Director Schoenborn made a motion to approve the Stone Creek park property Master Plan. Director Fuller seconded. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Complete Board reports and attachments for the above Business Session items are located at: [http://www.bendparkandrec.org/about us/board meetings/](http://www.bendparkandrec.org/about_us/board_meetings/)

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Horton shared that the Fall Playbook is currently available on-line and will be in mailboxes the week of Aug. 22nd. He said that there were 48,500 copies printed and 45,200 mailed; the mailing increased by 700 households since April.

Let's Picnic was a great success; thanks to Jan Taylor and Community Relations staff

Gopher Broke tournament
Friday, Sept. 11, 12:30 at the Bend Golf & Country Club

BOARD MEETINGS CALENDAR REVIEW
GOOD OF THE ORDER

ADJOURN: 6:48 pm

EXECUTIVE SESSION - The Board met in Executive Session upon adjournment of the regular meeting pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(e) for the purpose of discussing real property transactions.

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