



**Bend Park &
Recreation**
DISTRICT

Board of Directors

Board Meeting Minutes – February 7, 2017

BOARD PRESENT

Ted Schoenborn, Chair
Nathan Hovekamp, Vice-Chair
Craig Chenoweth
Brady Fuller

BOARD ABSENT

Ellen Grover

STAFF PRESENT

Don Horton, Executive Director
Vanessa Steele, Assistant to the Executive Director
Lindsey Lombard, Administrative Services Director
Michelle Healy, Planning & Park Services Director
Julie Brown, Communications & Community Relations Manager
Matt Mercer, Director of Recreation
Jim Figurski, Landscape Architect
Gina Brooksbank, Recreation Analyst
Cheryl Kelley, Therapeutic Recreation Coordinator
Brian Hudspeth, Development Manager
Quinn Kever, Park Planner
Steve Jorgensen, Planning Manager

Legal: Mark Reineke

Media: Scott Hammers, The Bulletin



5:30 p.m. CONVENE MEETING

WORK SESSION

1. Recreation Program Report - Adult Therapeutic Recreation Programs – *Cheryl Kelley*

Ms. Kelley gave a presentation to the Board on the Therapeutic Recreation program. She shared background and history of the program, the mission and goals and provided information on the registration process, funding, partnerships and enrollment trends. Ms. Kelley also included what the future of the program looks like and feedback she has received from volunteers and parents. Program participant, Monica Barrios, shared testimony on her experience in the program. She said that she has become more independent, developed new skills and grown in others. She said that it has opened doors she could have never imagined and she is healthier and happier because of the program.

2. Comp Plan Update – Quinn Keever and Steve Jorgensen

Ms. Keever and Mr. Jorgensen gave an update on the status of the Comprehensive Plan project. They shared the outcomes from the focus groups, provided a brief tutorial of the interactive survey tool (Mapita), and covered the next steps.

More information is available on the project page:

http://www.bendparksandrec.org/current_projects/planning-for-play-comp-plan/

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Board members volunteers for Benefits Committee: Director Schoenborn, Director Hovekamp
- Board member volunteer for Audit Committee: Director Fuller
- Board Elections – the elections calendar was provided to the Board. There are three positions up for re-election; #3 – Nathan Hovekamp, #4 – Ted Schoenborn and #5 – Craig Chenoweth.
- February 21 Board meeting canceled.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Director Fuller said that he had attended a recent Park Services meeting to express his appreciation for taking care of our facilities, especially during the winter weather events. He also had spent time at The Pavilion watching hockey classes and shared his appreciation for the volunteers.

6:50 p.m. BREAK/TRANSITION

7:00 p.m. REGULAR MEETING

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Meeting Minutes – 1/17/2017

Director Chenoweth made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Director Hovekamp seconded. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

BUSINESS SESSION

1. ORPA Award Video – Bill Smith, 2016 Private Sector Partner Award

Chair Schoenborn and Executive Director Horton introduced the award video and presented Mr. Smith with his award. The video can be viewed at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uVaKba3k9cc&feature=youtu.be>

VISITORS

Wade Fagen – Mr. Fagen provided public comment regarding Hollinshead park water rights. The Board said they will refer back to the park maintenance staff and try to understand exactly what the situation is.

Spencer Shock – VP Bend North Little League - Mr. Schock provided public comment to express his support for the plan that was put together for Big Sky Park, specifically for the inclusion of a little league field. He added that he would also like to see little league be considered for Pine Nursery.

2. Approve Big Sky Master Plan – *Steve Jorgensen and Chelsea Schneider*

Ms. Schneider and Mr. Jorgensen shared information with the Board on the existing master plan from 2003 and the proposed elements to be removed. They discussed the opportunities and constraints present and shared the proposed master plan elements. The discussion highlighted access and parking, trail connections, Naturehood, RC vehicle course, solar panel interpretive opportunity and other proposed amenities being proposed and explored.

For more information on the project visit:

http://www.bendparksandrec.org/current_projects/park-projects/big-sky-park/

Director Fuller made a motion to approve the new master plan for Big Sky Park. Director Chenoweth seconded. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

3. Approve Juniper Park Master Plan – *Chelsea Schneider*

Ms. Schneider shared that extensive outreach for the master plan had been completed, both internally with staff and with the public. She discussed the opportunities, constraints and the elements of the proposed master plan.

For more information on the project visit:

http://www.bendparksandrec.org/current_projects/park-projects/juniper-park/

Director Hovekamp made a motion to approve the Juniper Park Master Plan. Director Fuller seconded. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

4. Approve Larkspur Center Master Plan – *Jim Figurski*

Mr. Figurski provided a brief review of the proposed master plan for the Larkspur Center. The Board has had previous work sessions on the project. His review included the project vision, goals, schedule and community input. Mr. Figurski included a review of the site analysis, covering both Option 1 and Option 2 of the Master Plan. He explained the differences between the options and the budget for each, the major difference being that Option 1 is without a gymnasium and Option 2 includes the gymnasium. Mr. Figurski said that the next steps include continued design development and additional public meetings. He stated that the staff recommendation was for Board approval of Option 1.

Director Fuller asked why the staff recommendation was for Option 1. Executive Director Horton said that it was due to the additional cost and burden on the budget. Staff did not feel comfortable that is almost doubles debt service for that one amenity, the gym.

The Board and staff briefly discussed the option of adding a gym at a later time and other design elements of the proposed option.

Director Fuller shared that he did endorse the plan but with a bit of trepidation as we are giving up options of doing other things in the future with general fund money.

Director Chenoweth shared his concerns on cost escalation but said that he supports the concept that something needs to be done at this facility. The project addresses a need to take a facility that is underutilized and turn it into something that is more community focused.

For more information on the project visit:

http://www.bendparksandrec.org/current_projects/larkspur-center/

Director Hovekamp made a motion to approve the Larkspur Center Master Plan Option I and direct staff to proceed with schematic design and design development. Director Chenoweth seconded. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

The agenda item forms and attachments are available in the Board report located here:

http://www.bendparksandrec.org/about_us/board_meetings/

GOOD OF THE ORDER


STAFF REPORTS

BOARD MEETINGS CALENDAR REVIEW


ADJOURN – 9:00 p.m.

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 and ORS 192.660(2)(h) for the purpose of consultation with counsel concerning legal rights and duties regarding current litigation or litigation likely to be filed.


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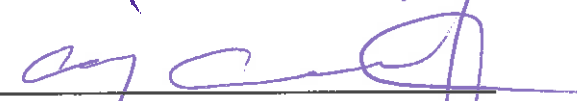
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