

Lane County Parks Advisory

January 14, 2019
Meeting Summary

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<http://www.lanecounty.org/Departments/PW/Parks/Pages/pac.aspx>

Members Present: Greg Hyde, Wayne Lemler, Kevin Shanley, Ashley Adelman, Pat Bradshaw
Former Members: Jim Mayo, Carl Stiefbold
Staff Present: Brett Henry, Charlie Conrad, Ed Alverson, Todd Bowen
Guests Present: None

Chair Lemler called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

00:00:15 Introductions – Chair Lemler discussed current committee member status and the conditions for members and former members’ involvement in tonight’s meeting. Members elected Wayne Lemler as pro tem chairperson until elections at the February meeting.

00:02:40 Public Comment - None

00:02:55 Assignment Review – None

00:03:00 Review of December 10, 2018 Meeting Summary

- Approved as written

00:04:00 New Business

- Carl Stiefbold Reappointment – Members passed a motion to recommend to County Commissioners that Mr. Stiefbold be reappointed for another term to the Parks Advisory Committee.
- Annual Maintenance Review – Bowen recapped several large maintenance projects that parks staff worked on over the past year.

00:23:25 Staff Updates/Reports

- Willamette Confluence Preserve Transfer – Henry recapped the meeting held in December where several local agencies discussed transferring ownership of the preserve. A request was made for a second meeting to further discuss the conditions of the proposal and the transfer of ownership. A second meeting is scheduled for February 5th.
- Homeless Car Camping – Henry reviewed a 2013 program where Lane County Parks (LCP) partnered with St. Vincent DePaul (SVDP) to place screened individuals as park hosts to provide a

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- Homeless Car Camping (cont.) - security presence at a select number of Lane County Parks. Henry discussed the pros and cons of the project, what worked and what didn't work, and the expectations necessary for persons designated as a park host. There was further discussion regarding homeless camping in county parks and the resources that are available to park users and visitors in the community.

00:53:20 Old Business

- *CIP* – Review of the 5-year CIP. Hyde made a motion that the PAC recommend the CIP be approved and submitted to the BCC for adoption. Shanley seconded the motion. The motion passed 4 to 1. Shanley also recommended a motion requesting an allocation of a portion of general fund monies to support LCP. Members discussed funding issues and ways to generate support from Commissioners to add staffing and focus on maintenance backlog. After discussion, the motion was tabled until a later meeting.
- *Covered Bridges Report* – Henry discussed needs for funding repairs of scenic covered bridges that are no longer covered under Road fund dollars and have been designated to Parks inventory.
- *Armitage Phase 2 Expansion* – Henry discussed a plan for public outreach with neighbors and stakeholders to obtain feedback on how Parks should proceed with expansion plans of the campground property.

01:39:00 New Business

- *Triangle Lake Park* – Operated as a campground until a few years ago when it was closed due to land use code compliance issues. Parks was approached about purchasing the property, but due to the asking price and limited capacity and resources to bring it up to code, management did not feel obtaining this property was in the best interest of the Parks department at this time.
- *Blue Mountain Park* – Staff met with Coast Fork Watershed Council personnel to discuss the potential for an outdoor school interpretive site on this property. Staff would like to develop a Friends group of neighbors and stakeholders to look for various prospects for this park location. Adelman suggested parks staff look into future grant opportunities with the Gray Family Foundation.
- *Facility Condition Assessment & Business Plan* – Henry recapped the responses he has received regarding the cost of hiring consultants to evaluate facility conditions, provide a market research analysis and business plan, and to conduct an economic impact analysis.
- *Master Plan – Action Plan* – Henry suggested a work session in the fall of 2019 to create an action plan for implementation of the recently adopted Master Plan.
- *Jim Mayo Farewell* – Mr. Mayo recapped his time serving on the committee and bid committee members adieu as his term on the advisory committee comes to a close. Members also had an opportunity to review an application from Donald Weick to fill Commissioner Berny's vacancy of Mayo's position on this committee. Members reviewed Mr. Weick's application and moved to recommend to the commissioners his appointment to the Parks Advisory Committee.

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02:16:30 Open

- Bradshaw requested a map or drawing of the plans to add additional parking spaces at Heceta Beach Park. Bradshaw also inquired about community outreach for feedback on the acquisition of the North Jetty parking area property.
- Lemler asked if there was enough time to get the approvals of the committee appointments on the Commissioner's consent calendar before the next PAC meeting in February. Henry reviewed the timeline and discussed the process for getting items onto the consent calendar.
- Shanley inquired about recently hired PW Grant Writer Linda Cook and the process for coordinating with her for future grant opportunities for various Parks projects.

02:21:30 Operations Report

- Included in the packet for member review. No discussion.

02:22:00 Meeting Wrap-up/Assignments

- Covered Bridges Report - Henry
- Tabled General Fund discussion from earlier in this meeting
- Discussion/Reminder that next month's meeting will also include a meeting for Large Events Oversight Committee to review 2019 applications for large events in county parks. Meeting to be held in the Goodson Room in the Willamette Building at 3040 N. Delta Hwy.

02:23:50 Adjourn – Meeting ended at 8:27 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 11, 2019.