

MINUTES
BROOKINGS PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
June 22, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Tom Bozack called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Patt Brown, Don Vilelle, Jay Trost, Trace Kather, and Chair Tom Bozack

Also present: Parks/Tech Services Supervisor Tony Baron

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Commissioner Kather to approve the minutes of April 27, 2017; motion seconded by Commissioner Brown and Commission voted; the motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES –

Azam Azaditabla, 1223 Barclay Lane, Brookings, OR – interested in the welfare of the azaleas in Azalea Park. Commission suggested she contact the Azalea Park Foundation to volunteer.

REGULAR AGENDA

A. Adopt a Park – Bankus Fountain – Tom Bozack recused himself from discussion. Tony Baron presented Adopt a Park request by KCIW Radio, noting that this is similar to the Adopt a Park request by the Lions Club for Oasis Park. Dane Tippman, 580 Fern Ave #1, Brookings, OR spoke on behalf of KCIW Radio and their intentions of maintaining the park. Commission appreciated their willingness to be involved. **Motion made by Commissioner Trost to enter into an MOU with KCIW to maintain Bankus Park; motion seconded by Commissioner Vilelle and the Commission voted with Tom Bazack abstaining; the motion carried unanimously.**

INFORMATION UPDATES/DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A.** Youth Work Force Seasonal Employees – Tony Baron updated Commission on seasonal employees that have been hired to assist with maintenance in the parks. Commissioner Trost commended Tony on his ability to find park grants and the hiring and training of youth to work in the parks.
- B.** ORPD Grant for Azalea Park Ball Field Phase Three – Tony Baron updated Commission on the ORPD grant that has been approved at 60% funding. Phase 3 includes picnic area, parking lot lights, scoreboards, ballfield lights and other improvements over the next two years.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS/COMMENTS

Commissioner Trost spoke of redwood cloning and the possibility of planting Champion Redwood clone trees in the parks. Tony will schedule as a future agenda item.


Commissioner Brown inquired about the status of Lower Stout Park. Tony advised the group previously involved in improving the area had disbanded and staff is researching options. Commissioner Trost thought the schools might be able to have a landscaping course which could involving students taking care of the area and they might take ownership which could eliminate some of the litter problem.

Chair Bozack commented that the paving of the Chetco Point parking area is a great improvement.

ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting scheduled for August 24, 2017. With no further business, meeting adjourned at 7:37 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Tom Bozack, Chair
(Approved at Sept 28, 2017 meeting)