

MINUTES
BROOKINGS PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
May 28, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

Jay Trost, Deputy PWDS Director called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL – Introduction of new Park & Rec Commissioner Jaime Armstrong

Present: Commissioners Jaime Armstrong, Trace Kather, Lonnie Nalls, and Lex Rau

Also present: Deputy PWDS Director Jay Trost and RARE participant Erik Orta

As the previous Chair Brad Alcorn has resigned from the Parks & Recreation Commission to take a position on the City Council, the election of officers was moved to the top of the agenda to conduct meeting.

COMMISSION BUSINESS

- A. Election of Officers** – Trace Kather volunteered as Commission Chair. **Motion made by Lonnie Nalls to appoint Trace Kather as Commission Chair; motion seconded and Commission voted; the motion carried unanimously.** Lonnie Nalls volunteered as Commission Vice Chair. **Motion made by Lex Rau to appoint Lonnie Nalls as Commission Vice Chair; motion seconded and Commission voted; the motion carried unanimously.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Commissioner Nalls to approve the minutes of January 23, 2020; motion seconded and Commission voted; the motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES – None

REGULAR AGENDA

- A.** Review Initial Draft of Parks Master Plan - Jay Trost and Erik Orta presented the draft plan encouraging commissioners to review and provide comments and recommendations so document can be finalized by June 30th. The document has been updated with current demographics, community needs, projects and goals. Survey and community outreach information has been included. Information has been condensed and focused on the parks. Many major park projects have been completed recently and small projects are proposed so focus can be on needed park maintenance like KidTown.

INFORMATION UPDATES/DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A.** Naming of Chetco Point Dog Park - the dog park at Chetco Point is complete and scheduled to open. Jay Trost requested ideas to name the park and suggested incorporating resident Dick Wilson in the naming as he is a very active supportive and contributor to the police K9 dog program, a retired teacher, and proponent of the local Humane Society. The Dick Wilson Dog Park at Chetco Point Park was suggested and Jay to move forward with that recommendation.
- B.** Naming of Azalea Park Exercise Fitness area – the fitness project is almost complete and Erik is coordinating installation of the equipment with the current COVID19 phasing guidelines. Azalea Fit Park was suggested and Jay to move forward with that recommendation.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS/COMMENTS

Jay Trost updated Commission on current park conditions and what parks are currently open during the pandemic. Presently kids parks, basketball courts, and the swimming pool are closed. He gave the commission an idea of when and what facilities will be open with the COVID19 phase II process approaching..

ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting scheduled for July 23, 2020. With no further business, meeting adjourned at **7:47 pm**.

Respectfully submitted,



Trace Kather, Chair

(Approved at the June 25, 2020 meeting)