

**Depoe Bay Parks Commission Regular Meeting
Wednesday, March 23, 2011 - 5:30 p.m.
Depoe Bay City Hall**

PRESENT: Chairman B. Spores, J. Hayes, K. White, G. Engleman
OTHERS: L. Lewis, City Planner

I. CALL TO ORDER

Spores called the meeting to order and established a quorum at 5:30 p.m.

II. APPROVE MINUTES – February 16, 2011 Meeting

Hayes noted a correction under Commissioners' Concerns as follows: "Discussion followed on use of the storage room for Salmon Bake and ~~Crab Feed Fleet of Flowers~~ items, and shelving which has been **approved** ~~purchased~~ by the Chamber, but not yet **purchased** ~~installed~~."

Motion: J. Hayes moved to approve the minutes with the noted corrections. K. White seconded.

Vote: Motion passed.

Ayes: J. Hayes, B. Spores, K. White, G. Engleman

UNFINISHED BUSINESS PARKS MASTER PLAN

Spores moved this agenda item forward to accommodate City Planner Lewis. Lewis reviewed the draft Sunset St/Surf Ave. & Alsea Ave. SVA. Discussion included the need for steps approaching the bluff, one property corner stake was found and with some brush clearing one parking space could be developed, an existing sign "private property" is in the public Right-of-Way, there is an existing rope barrier on private property now and the city could continue this barrier on the park area for safety, should consider flipping the trail and parking space on the east side so private property owner is not driving across the trail to access their property, there will be a need to educate users on parking locations. The draft Cove Point SVA was reviewed. Discussion included there has been controversy over this site in the past, Lewis assumes the property owner's fence is now off of the public Right-of-Way, minimal improvements for this site include removal of debris (an old tire), install fencing for safety, it was suggested to add a warning sign to the improvements. An audience member noted that someone is throwing grass and brush cuttings onto the park area. Lewis has one more draft SVA to prepare for the North Point area. After review of that draft he recommends scheduling a public hearing to present the draft to the public for comment, or could wait until the entire master plan is completed instead of just the North Point area. Commissioner's asked about prioritization and funding. Lewis said he will bring the final North Point SVA draft to the next meeting and will review the remaining work with the Commission at that time as well, various agencies provide grants for parks (OPRD, DLCD).

NEW BUSINESS TSUNAMI EVENT

Commissioners discussed the recent warning siren demonstration by American Signal Co. in Depoe Bay. Comments included: could hear the siren but not the audio, couldn't hear the siren at Whale Park, Whale Cove, Collins St., Could hear the siren but not the audio at Stonebridge, Anchor Estates while heard clearly in View of the Bay. White noted that in the 1700 event the tsunami averaged 30-45 feet, and DOGAMI (Oregon Dept. of Geology and Mineral Industry) will have detailed maps available soon. Murray reported on the status of Dock 1 repair efforts and funding.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS NATURE TRAIL

Spores had spoken with Terry Owings, who is busy with tsunami issues. Owings told him that the Community Hall heating system replacement is estimated to cost about \$6,000, the city has submitted application to Oregon Energy Trust for funding assistance. The city is working with ODFW on plants and plantings along the Nature Trail, the plants are to be here next week. Methods for placement of the logs for bridges are still being investigated. It was suggested to contact the US Coast Guard for help, Chief Kihlmire is here until June. The Taunton memorial bench plaque is installed, the other bench is available for another site. Hayes reported that the city park grounds are saturated and someone drove through the area southwest of the gazebo and tore it up.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS BRIDGE AT GAZEBO

The status of the OPRD Grant for this project was reported as the city has been notified of grant award, but the program is federally funded and the state cannot move forward until the federal budget is settled.

III. PUBLIC INPUT

There was none.

IV. CITY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

See agenda item "Nature Trail" above.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Tsunami Event - Discussed earlier in the meeting.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Nature Trail – Discussed earlier in the meeting.

B. Bridge at Gazebo – Discussed earlier in the meeting.

C. Parks Master Plan - Discussed earlier in the meeting.

VII. PARK COMMISSIONERS' CONCERNS

Spores noted the need to stay on top of the Community Hall heating system.

VIII. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35p.m.

Bill Spores, Chairman

Pery Murray, City Recorder