

**Depoe Bay Parks Commission Regular Meeting  
Wednesday, July 20, 2011 - 5:30 p.m.  
Depoe Bay City Hall**

PRESENT: B. Spores, J. Hayes, K. White, G. Engleman  
ABSENT: W. Johnson  
OTHERS: L. Lewis

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The Chairman called the meeting to order and established a quorum at 5:34 p.m.

**II. APPROVE MINUTES**

Motion 1: K. White moved to approve the minutes of the June 15, 2011 meeting. The motion was seconded by G. Engleman.

Vote: Motion 1 passed.

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

**III. PUBLIC INPUT**

None

**IV. CITY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

B. Spores read the City Superintendent's report (copy attached to the original minutes).

Community Center Extermination - J. Hayes expressed concern for food supplies located in the kitchen and storage areas. There was discussion that the food supplies need to be removed or protected prior to the extermination.

New Springs Needed for Whales in Playground - J. Hayes talked to Pogo about the possibility of getting stronger springs that would be difficult to break.

Planters at Harbor Parking Lot - Commissioners talked about the need to continue weeding the planters, the planters are big and a lot of plants will be needed, the need to keep plants low in order to maintain good visibility, and the idea of making the planter look nautical, i.e. small boats.

B. Spores will follow up with the City Superintendent on these items.

**V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

A. Parks Master Plan - Larry Lewis distributed a 'Remaining Tasks' schedule (copy attached to the original minutes) that targets the Parks, Open Space & Trails Master Plan being completed by the end of December 2011. The following draft plans were discussed:

1. Beach Street Scenic View Area – The Parks Commission discussed the difficulty of developing this site for public access. The site is very steep. Significant grading (and possibly retaining structures) and removal of vegetation would be required to make this site accessible. The consensus of the Commission was to recognize this site as a natural area and recommendation that no improvements will be made at this time.
2. Oregon Coast Trail – Beach Street to Rocky Creek State Park (copy attached to the original minutes) – The trail is proposed to be constructed by Oregon Parks & Recreation Department (OPRD) through an OPRD Recreational Trails Grant. The Commission discussed the possible need for a structure, i.e. wooden walkway, around the corner in order to protect the shallow water line. Other utilities need to be considered in the design and construction of the trail, i.e. the Big Whale Cove water line.
3. Winchell Street Scenic View Area (copy attached to the original minutes) – The draft plan was reviewed. A public viewing area sign needs to be added at the west (lower) end of the SVA at the harbor parking lot; and a 'no parking' sign needs to be added at the east end along the driveway that accesses the Portside Condominiums.

South Point Scenic View Areas - The Commission discussed the need to add two more scenic view areas to the Master Plan – one site located at the west end of South Point Street and the other site located near the corner of Cliff Street and Point Avenue (commonly referred to as Lot 13). Both of these sites are currently private. Lot 13 is currently accessible to residents of the South Point neighborhood. Consensus of the Commission was to add these two sites since the Master Plan also includes potential public parks, open space, and trails.

Public Viewing Area Signs – The Commission discussed the desire to develop an attractive Public Viewing Area Sign that will be placed at the Scenic View Areas.

- B. Nature Trail – Terry Owings is looking into how to transport the logs to the bridge locations.
- C. City Park Pedestrian Bridge – The Commission discussed the possibility of the new pedestrian bridge also providing access for emergency vehicles. There is a desire to make the bridge attractive.
- D. Boat Launch Park Parking Lot – Landscape Islands – The landscape islands were discussed during the City Superintendent’s Report.

**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

None

**VII. PARK COMMISSIONER’S CONCERNS**

None

**VIII. ADJOURN**

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

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Bill Spores, Chairman

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Larry Lewis, City Planner