

**Depoe Bay Parks Commission Regular Meeting
Wednesday, August 21, 2013 - 5:00 p.m.
Depoe Bay City Hall**

PRESENT: Chair B. Spores, C. Bond, B. Hickerson, D. Metz, V. Thomas, K. White

ABSENT: J. Hayes

STAFF: P. Murray, City Recorder

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman B. Spores called the meeting to order and established a quorum at 5:01 p.m.

II. APPROVE MINUTES – July 17, 2013 Regular Meeting

There was no action taken on this agenda item.

III. PUBLIC INPUT – None.

IV. CITY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT - Spores reported the “stagecoach” has been removed from the City Park playground due to its condition. He asked if the Commission wanted to consider a new piece of playground equipment to replace it, noting that City Supervisor Brady Weidner has catalogs for the Commission to review. There was brief discussion on this year’s budget for playground equipment. White reported the Harbor Rehab Committee meets on the 28th regarding the walk-about. Also, he has been appointed to the Economic Development Committee (as the Parks Commission representative.).

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Added Item: Spores Memorial Bench - Members reviewed copies of the Spores family bench order, requesting site #5, and plaque wording.

MOTION: Bond moved to approve placing the Spores memorial bench at site # 5, and approve the wording for the plaque. Metz seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed.

AYES: Bond, White, Spores, Metz, Hickerson, Thomas

A. City Park South Depoe Bay Creek Bridge Project – Murray reported the project is advertised for construction bids as of today and closes on September 10th. Spores said he’d had concerns about the road location (on the plan drawings) until he spoke with City Superintendent Terry Owings who said there will not be a roadway constructed, it is reflected on the drawings only to show the approach to the bridge. The bid request is for a 12 ft. wide bridge and for a 10 ft. wide bridge alternative, as directed by City Council. Brief discussion ensued. Spores said if the Commission has any objections to the project the Council needs to be made aware.

B. Walk About Brochures- Harbor, City Park – Murray offered Commissioners to take North Point Pedestrian Loop Trail brochures for distribution. Bond said the City Park and Harbor trail brochures are in process, anticipating a focused effort after summer is over. Everyone agreed to include Jaci McKim’s color background idea for the next brochure printing.

C. Trail Inauguration - Discussion ensued regarding scheduling this event and what the event should consist of. It was suggested to hold the event in October, invite state dignitaries (grant funding), cake, balloons, music, were suggested. Bond said she is a member of the Worldmark Green Team and they are looking for a community project to help with. She suggested the Green Team could do cleanup in the park and on the trail prior to the event. Bond will coordinate with Murray on questions relating to volunteer’s workers compensation insurance (Worldmark & City). It was noted that there are root knots in the trail that need to be removed and the Wizard’s Chair needs to be placed.

VI. NEW BUSINESS –

A. Park Grants – Murray reported that the city has received preliminary notification from OPRD of grant award for the Scenic Lands Park Improvements Project (Parks Master Plan). Total project cost estimate is \$28,450 and the grant amount is \$22,760. Once the grant agreement is received it is presented to the City Council for approval, after final execution of the agreement the project can begin.

VII. PARK COMMISSIONERS' CONCERNS - White will let the Commission know more about the harbor walkabout after the meeting on the 28th. Thomas reported that there is a bench along the Nature Trail that easily tips over and needs to be anchored. It is located along the forest trail section. She also reported that at the trail entrance, there is some chain link garbage wrapped around a post that should be removed. Weeds were not cleaned up around the playground area before the July 4th Music in the Park and hopefully some maintenance can be done before the Salmon Bake. Bond said that the Green Team could work on this.

VIII. ADJOURN - The meeting was adjourned at 5:38 pm.

Bill Spores, Chairman

Pery Murray, City Recorder