

**Depoe Bay Parks Commission Regular Meeting
Wednesday, July 20, 2016 - 5:00 p.m.
Depoe Bay City Hall**

PRESENT: Chair B. Spores, K. White, M. Granat (arr 5:05 pm), J. Hayes, R. Hickerson, R. Gilliam
R. Salazar

STAFF: City Recorder Pery Murray

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Spores called the meeting to order and established a quorum at 5:04 p.m.

II. APPROVE MINUTES – June 15, 2016 Regular Meeting

MOTION: Hayes moved to approve the June 15, 2016 meeting minutes with one correction, page 1, item V. A. Walking Guides – Hayes reported that the maps are printed, Jaci McKim has the 10 boxes and she will ~~be~~ bring 1 box here tonight. Gilliam seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed

AYES: White, Hayes, Spores, Hickerson, Gilliam, Salazar

ABSTAIN: Granat

III. PUBLIC INPUT – None.

IV. CITY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT - Spores noted Weidner's written report (copy attached to the original of these minutes), discussion included: request for Parks Commission to provide input on location for the spinner cups in the park playground; installation of the anchor at the Harbor Entrance sign; property owner on North Point who'd placed the piling/rope in public right-of-way now has built a tall fence and Commissioners should look at it, Weidner will check with City Planner; a partitioned area in the park for toddlers; the newly installed concrete picnic table at Lee St. SVA; let Weidner know what the Commission would like the Lincoln County Crew to work on when here August 9, 10 and 17; need to do more work at Winchell St. SVA before placing the Jim Tate memorial bench. Spores asked White to stay in contact with Weidner on the bench placement.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Walking Guides – Spores asked Bill Johnson, Chair of Depoe Bay Chamber of Commerce, to come forward to discuss distribution of the guides. Granat reported that he'd emailed Mr. Johnson about a month ago, and he didn't buy any taffy or socks. Johnson reported he has been going store-to-store and dropping off 10-20 guides each visit, he's down to about 2,500 guides left (about ½ of the order). Worldmark is not taking any, but motels and restaurants are. Granat said that his customers are taking guides at a good, steady rate, people are interested. Ordering more guides was discussed, Johnson said some Chamber members may be interested in placing ads in the next printing, which could be a funding mechanism. Jaci McKim said the guides should have updated aerial photos, better quality, before printing more. She noted if ads will be added, the guides will need to be re-designed at additional cost, and often that type of program becomes fraught with complaints. She offered to re-design the new photos at no cost, so the next order could be twice as many guides for the same cost as the first order which included lay-out costs. White does not like the idea of including ads in the guides, he would fund future orders the same as this first one was funded. Discussion followed with it being agreed to work on updating the guide and be ready for next spring. McKim suggested getting new aerial photos during the summer when the sky is bluer/less grey. Granat said a scanner could be purchased for about \$1,000 for scanning photos for use. It was agreed that the Parks Commission and the Chamber would continue to work together on the Walking Guides.

B. Winchell Street Trail – Sign and Memorial Bench Installed - Discussed earlier in the meeting.

C. Depoe Bay Museum – Granat reported in detail on his research for a good photo/document scanner, and offered to provide the information via email.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

McKim informed the Commission that on August 2nd, a workshop will be held at the Lincoln City Cultural Center specific to next year’s eclipse. The meeting is at 6:30 pm, and is intended to educate people on impacts to be expected with the anticipated influx of visitors. She also said she’d had a grand time at the Salmon Enhancement Commission’s fin-clipping event, Bea Ray took photos, and she will get together with Beanie to determine what photos are still needed.

VII. PARKS COMMISSIONERS’ CONCERNS - Hayes would like to see a photo of the City Park big rock sign included in the next Walking Guides. White suggested a photo of the anchor also be included. Hayes said the big rock sign should be anchored with brackets at the back side. Hickerson is concerned of creating a tripping hazard. Hayes said there is a Salmon Bake meeting tomorrow evening at 6:00 pm at the Community Hall. Spores noted that there is a section of the Oregon Trail along the highway by Thundering Shores where there is no sidewalk, which was recently discussed at an Urban Renewal meeting where the Urban Renewal Agency decided that funding a sidewalk there isn’t an urban renewal project. He’d like to go to the state and discuss funding for a sidewalk. Murray suggested speaking with Valerie Grigg-Devies, ODOT, who is aware of the proposed project. Salazar offered to make contact with the state and work on the project. Spores would like to see the Nature Conservancy property at Big Whale Cove be a park. McKim encouraged working on more harbor history signs in the upcoming year.

VIII. ADJOURN - The meeting was adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

Pery Murray, City Recorder

Bill Spores, Chairman