

**Depoe Bay Parks Commission Regular Meeting
Wednesday, October 19, 2016 - 5:00 p.m.
Depoe Bay City Hall**

PRESENT: Chair B. Spores, K. White, M. Granat, J. Hayes, R. Hickerson, R. Gilliam, R. Salazar
STAFF: City Recorder P. Murray, City Superintendent B. Weidner

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Spores called the meeting to order and established a quorum at 5:00 p.m.

II. APPROVE MINUTES – August 17, 2016 Regular Meeting

MOTION: Hayes moved to approve the August 17, 2016 meeting minutes as written. Gilliam seconded.

VOTE: Motion passed

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

III. PUBLIC INPUT – None.

IV. CITY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT - Weidner reported: 1) he has the contractor scheduled to take out the hump at Winchell St. SVA, this will create a sheer drop which will require a wall and maybe railing by the bench site. 2) there is damage to the trail due to recent heavy rains, ponding water and washouts, tree limbs, etc. 3) signs are made for the park “Nature Trail” with an arrow; to save time and money he got decals which will be put on old signs, he’ll get with Hickerson for sign placement location. 4) Cat Lick Park needs weed-eating and signs replaced, the City Crew is busy and he has not heard back from the County Crew. 5) the rope needs to be wrapped on the anchor base. 6) at Graham St SVA dead tree limbs and ivy needs to be removed, there is a pine tree that is laden with ivy and leaning creating an ivy curtain that blocks the view. Spores asked if the mutt mitt station has been placed. Discussion followed, it was agreed to place a station along Coast Ave. after the infrastructure project is done. 7) Weidner said he will speak to the US Coast Guard about the electric line that crosses the channel. Spores asked about solar powered lights for the harbor sign. Brief discussion ensued on type of lights and the need to be vandal-proof. Weidner reported that Pogo is talking about putting colored LED lights on the spouting horn. Spores reviewed agenda items listed:

A. Cat Lick Park – Clear Weeds & Brush, Rework Trail or Add Banister Weidner said he has clearing on the list and suggested doing a cedar handrail. Discussion followed on lessening the steepness of the trail either by extending it, or adding landings.

B. Coast Ave. – Graham St. SVA View, Add Mutt Mitt Station – Previously discussed.

C. Harbor Stone Sign – Add Solar Light, Rope Wrap Anchor Brace – Previously discussed.

D. Winchell St.- Leveling Bench Site, Install Tate Memorial Bench - White asked if there are plans for the upper wall at Winchell St SVA. Weidner said that is slated for next budget year, the wall needs to be engineered.

Spores asked Weidner to speak to the contractor to get ideas about the trail at Cat Lick Park and to add a mutt mitt station along Coast Ave when timing is appropriate.

E. Clear & Improve Bench Area- Williams Ave. Spores asked about an existing bench along Williams Ave. It was clarified that the bench is not a city bench, was not placed there by the city, is in disrepair, sits kitty-wompas, but is located on city property - a platted street right-of-way (Berg St.). Weidner will take a look at the bench.

F. Nature Trail – City Park – Mold on Tables & Benches, Invasive Plant Species Removal – Nature Trail, All Sections of Scenic Lands Park Weidner suggested having the County Crew power wash the table and benches to remove the mold, this would require a generator for power and water, maybe bleach in the water. Hickerson suggested spreading powdered Tide laundry soap which will clean up the mold. Granat asked if it is safe to do so near the creek. Weidner said the group that used to do invasive species plant removal is no longer around, so the County Crew will need to be scheduled. Discussion ensued regarding the need for a handrail along the forest trail since the trail tends to be slippery when wet. Spores asked Weidner to add handrails to the to-do list. Gilliam noted that with the recent heavy rains a channel has been washed out in the gravel area at Lee St SVA. Weidner will have the City Crew take care of it. Granat asked about the Katy Roe tree planting. Hickerson said the tree will be planted this weekend by the bench in the park across from Wing Wa Restaurant.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Winchell St SVA – Previously discussed under Superintendent Report.

B. Stone Sign & Name – Cat Lick Park Hayes reported that some Parks Commissioners met on-site, they suggest a 36” X 36” rock. He will follow-up with the Old Stoners to get cost estimates. Spores asked about the name Cat Lick and if it should be something else. Brief discussion occurred.

C. Depoe Bay Museum – Murray presented an email from Bill Patterson, MORE Realty, (copy attached to the original of these minutes) who had contacted the city about the Langston property at 231 N. Hwy 101 being for sale, suggesting the city may wish to purchase the property. She added that the City Council has referred this matter to the Commission at the regular council meeting last night. Discussion ensued. Spores asked Murray to touch base with Fran Recht for her assistance and to reply to Mr. Patterson.

D. Nature Trail Sign - Previously discussed under Superintendent Report.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Highway 101 Sidewalk Leading to Boiler Bay - Salazar reported that he and Murray will be meeting with a new ODOT contact on the sidewalk issue in November. Salazar left the meeting at 5:48 P.m.

B. Christmas Priorities - Spores noted that we may not place a tree at the Whale Center this year because the building is closed. Discussion followed, it was suggested to place a tree at Whale Park, but hold off on the Whale Center location for now. Spores asked White to check with the Depoe Bay Chamber of Commerce about placing wreaths on the highway bridge. It was agreed there should be lights at the Fish Cleaning Station, harbor docks, Community Hall and City Hall. Weidner will ask the Council for two trees and he’ll audit the Xmas lights. White suggested wrapping the harbor anchor with lights.

VII. PARKS COMMISSIONERS’ CONCERNS - Granat is concerned that the Commission did not discuss his items. He reported on the brochure project: he’d emailed White’s link to Jaci McKim. He referred to information he’d obtained on scanners (copy attached to the original of these minutes), saying the cheaper model has better resolution, so he recommends that over the other model. It was noted that the other model can scan a larger size photo (12” X 10” v. 8.5” X 11.7”). He also suggests hard drive storage for scanned photos and documents. It was noted that this year’s budget for the museum project is \$10,000.

VIII. The meeting was adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

Bill Spores, Chairman

Pery Murray, City Recorder