

DOUGLAS COUNTY PARK ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes of Meeting – January 23, 2015

9:00 a.m.

Conference Room 310

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PATRICIA K. HITT, COUNTY CLERK

PRESENT: Lonnie Ferber, Dennis Acton, Jim Peterson, Bill Swift, Dick Swartzlender, Don Larson

ABSENT: Greg Logan (excused)

GUESTS: Tim Freeman, Paul Meyer, Reedsport Chamber of Commerce members, Norma Talburt, Susan Roden, Meyer Media, Karen Roberson, Diana Wales

Lonnie Ferber called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

MINUTES:

Acton made a motion to Amend the February, March, June, September 2014 minutes to reflect that Don Larson was present for each meeting. Peterson seconds the motion. Motion is approved.

Swift made a motion to amend the September 2014 meeting minutes to reflect a correction to an "Audience Participation" comment. The actual host for the Grant Makers event was "Umpqua Bank & Ford Family Foundation" (not Friends of Kanipe as stated). Larson seconds the motion. Motion is approved.

Larson motioned for approval of the December 2014 minutes. Acton seconded the motion. Peterson moved to amend the meetings to reflect the following:

- Typo correction "passed to past" under the Busenbark agenda item.
- Correction to reflect Parks Department will fund .5 FTE (not 1.0 FTE as stated) under Master Plan agenda item.

Swift seconds the motion. The motion is approved.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Miwaleta Restroom (CXT) the restroom has continued to leak since it was installed in October 2013. The sealer that was used during installation did not hold. CXT will come back to re-seal the entire restroom in the summer.

River Forks Roof

Parks Department crew with the assistance of the inmate crew installed a new metal roof. The title roof was falling apart and has been leaking.

River Forks Playground

This project is now totally funded. The job corps is out there pouring concrete now.

Kanipe Campground

The cows are back on the property, therefore, cannot continue any structural construction until the perimeter fence is installed. The fence installation is currently out to bid.

Whistler's Bend

No new progress, a disc golf group is out installing the new holes. Goal is to be done before the next tournament in April.

Kanipe Buildings

Liz Carter, Restore Oregon (UofO), along with many others went to tour the house. The Board discussed concerns regarding funding and the county's requirements to restore the home. The Board is not interested in funding the restoration of buildings. In addition to the cost to restore the building comes with additional long term

maintenance expense. There are many buildings out there that need attention; there is not currently a plan for building restoration or required land maintenance.

The Parks Department maintenance staff has fixed the sheep shearing shed.

Roy Retirement

Been with the county over 30 years.

Busenbark Timber Sale

Land Department is working on the permits and planning toward this.

Volunteers

We have less than 14 fulltime employee and 28 full time volunteers. We are currently recruiting for additional volunteers

Crab Dock

Assessment of the crab dock, the engineered survey will cost 20-25k. Would like to reach out to people at the coast for assistance in funding and fund raising. The dock is currently closed at the end of dock. Peterson recommends checking with the Coast Guard and/or MAPS.

ADDED AGENDA ITEM:

Auction Property

From the Auctioned properties this month the Parks Department will receive \$10,500.00. These funds will be used to fund capital improvements.

NEW BUSINESS:

Park Ordinance

The ordinance first reading was done in December and the BOC decided to let the new BOC have the final decision. The second reading will come up soon. The main revision is related to parking fees, and includes some minor housekeeping.

Agenda Format

Currently, audience participation takes place during agenda item discussion. Acton moved to motion the PAB meetings to be structured to allow audience participation regarding agenda items following the minutes approval (not during PAB discussion). Swift seconds the motion. The motion is approved.

Audience participation will continue to be offered at the end of the meeting for non-agenda items.

OLD BUSINESS:

Special Event update (for-profit)

PAUL MEYER (County Council) confirms this can be done, there is no difference in for profit raising money or not raising money. Other concessionaire permits are issued at the coast.

UTV Invasion

JODY (Chamber of Commerce) – Dune Fest planning is an all year event, and supports many businesses in Reedsport/Winchester Bay. Would like the board to consider the amount of time allowed between similar events.

TIM FREEMAN, - As a previous member of the Reedsport Chamber prior to being a County Commissioner, and was involved with Dune Fest. Dune Fest cannot be underestimated as to what it provides to the community and urges caution when making a decision related to other similar events.

MEYER MEDIA – Did not apply for a permit to be malicious, this event is a much smaller event and is structure toward a different demographic. This event should not affect Dune Fest; it will actually bring additional support to

the community. Does not feel there should be time limitations between these events, but if there has to be one 10 days would be their proposal.

Pros and cons were discussed. Acton moved to motion for major events in Winchester Bay be restricted to 30 days between similar events. Larson seconds the motion. The motion is approved

ROUND TABLE:

None

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

None

NEXT MEETING:

The next park board meeting will be February 20, 2015

Location: Court House Conference Room #311

A motion to adjourn was made by Swift. Peterson seconds the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 10:56 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

[Veronica Van Drimmelen](#)

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