



MINUTES

Coburg Parks | Tree Committee
City Hall, 91136 N. Willamette
March 21st, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Mary Mosier, Vice Chair Tom Beatty, Lonna Meston, Coleen Marshall, Claire Smith, Joe Morneau, Karen Coury

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF: Public Works Director Brian Harmon

1. Call to Order

Chair Mosier opened the Parks | Tree Committee meeting at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Mr. Harmon called roll. There was a quorum.

3. AGENDA REVIEW | Approve Minutes from February 21st, 2023

Mr. Harmon added Johnny Diamond grass to the Agenda.

Chair Mosier added an update on the flagpole to the Agenda.

MOTION: Ms. Marshall moved to approve the February 21st minutes as presented, seconded by Mr. Beatty. The motion passed -- 6:0:0.

4. City Updates/City Administrator Report

There were no questions.

5. Committee Business

- Arbor Day - April 28th

Mr. Harmon stated his intentions to follow up on emails and talk to local restaurant owners about providing food and sponsorship. He had penciled in April 27th or 28th, depending on the school response. He noted that the City Council wanted trees planted in the wells on Main Street. He mentioned a dead Big Leaf Maple to be removed. There was discussion of replacement trees. Mr. Beatty said that there were many varieties available and mentioned a Norway Maple at Armitage Park.

- Work Party

Ms. Marshall presented. Ms. Mosier, Ms. Meston, Ms. Marshall and Mr. Beatty had weeded and trimmed at Jacob Spores Park. Mr. Beatty had planted milkweed at Trail's End. Mr. Beatty requested that Public Works refrain from mowing at Trail's End until June, after the cammas had finished flowering. He offered to flag the area if requested.

A meeting was scheduled for cleanup at Johnny Diamond Park on April 17th.

- Johnny Diamond Grass

Mr. Harmon introduced the issue of patchy lawn at Johnny Diamond Park. He reminded the Committee that there was \$55,000 available in unused funding. Options discussed included sod, reseeding, replacing the grass with a volleyball court, or replacing the grass with artificial turf. The decision by consensus was to table the discussion until the next meeting.

- Flagpole Update

At Chair Mosier's suggestion, the decision by consensus was to move forward without an engineer. It was agreed to order 8- or 10-inch medallions. Mr. Morneau said he would find images to share with the group.

Mr. Beatty noted that roses would need to be purchased in the fall for spring planting. Mr. Harmon and Mr. Beatty agreed to meet on March 27th at 10:00 a.m. to go over the plan. Mr. Marneau requested pictures be taken at the VA. Mr. Harmon agreed to provide them.

- Pavilion Park

Mr. Harmon reminded the Committee of the timeline and reiterated that they'd only get one opportunity to make changes. Chair Mosier requested decisions on the fountain and surround.

Fountain:

- Stone wall of a similar colored stone as existing structures
- S or C curved shape
- Over-the-top flow cascading down both sides
- Rustic look
- Shallow basins for a pleasing 'water' sound
- Affixed rocks in basins
- 6 feet high by no less than 10 feet long

Surround:

- ADA-compliant trail on both sides
- Permeable pavers between the path and basin
- Stone base benches, no backs
- One long curved bench at the front
- One short bench at the rear

Climbing Structure:

- Logs and boulders
- No nets

Plantings:

- Succession of heights, shrubs and trees
- Perennials around fountain
- Replace spruce with dogwoods
- Remove holly
- Post-mounted sprinklers

Ms. Meston agreed to sketch a fountain design. Mr. Beatty agreed to sketch a tree-placement design. Mr. Morneau agreed to seek material donations for the climbing structure.

Mr. Harmon told the Committee that Public Works employee Grant would be taking on a lead role in Parks and praised him as detail-oriented. He assured the group that he would still attend the meetings.

- Work Session

A work session was scheduled for April 18th at 4:30 pm.

Mr. Morneau noted that he would not be available.

6. Adjournment

Chair Mosier adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

FUTURE MEETINGS

April 17th Work Party - 9:00 a.m., Johnny Diamond

April 18th Parks and Tree Work Session - 4:30 p.m.

April 18th Parks and Tree Meeting - 6:00 p.m.

(Minutes recorded by Angela Kern, LCOG)

APPROVED by the Park & Tree Committee on this ____ day of _____ 2023.

ATTEST:

Sammy L. Egbert, City Recorder

Mary Mosier, Chair