

Minutes

Parks |Tree Committee Regular Meeting City Hall, 91136 N. Willamette January 19, 2021

COMMITTEE PRESENT: Chair Mary Mosier, Joe Morneau, Coleen Marshall, Karen Coury, Claire Smith, Tom Beatty.

COMMITTEE ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Brain Harmon

Reordered by: Alex Sullivan

CALL MEETING OF THE COBURG PARKS AND TREE COMMITTEE TO ORDER

Ms. Mosier called the meeting to order at 6:00pm on January 19th, 2021.

The committee then went on to review the minutes from the December 15th, 2020 meeting.

Ms. Mosier, Ms. Smith, and Ms. Marshall corrected the minutes as presented.

Ms. Marshall moved to accept the minutes as corrected from December 15th 2020. Karen Coury seconded the motion. It was passed unanimously.

ELECTION OF 2021 COMMITTEE OFFICERS

Ms. Mosier then asked for nominations for 2021 committee officers.

Ms. Marshall nominated Ms. Mosier to continue on this year as committee chair. Tom seconded this motion. It was passed unanimously. Mary Mosier nominated Tom to be Vice Chair. Ms. Marshall seconded this motion. It was passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Ms. Mosier then moved the meeting to committee business. A PowerPoint was created for the Park |Tree Annual presentation to City Council. Ms. Mosier presented the powerpoint to the committee.

Some of the accomplishments of the committee this last year include the Johnny Diamond park, new trails and picnic areas in the wetlands, an establishment for monarch butterflies and milkweed, and information sign placements.

Ms. Mosier also shared committee goals and future plans as well.

Bike Hub Report

There were no updates on the bike hub report.

Flagpole Updates

Mr. Harmon then shared the rough draft rendering of what the flagpole installation would look like as well as the surrounding seating areas.

Pending Projects

Ms. Smith made a suggestion that each project should be tracked on their forms, as well as a lead committee member appointed to each project.

Ms. Mosier then began to speak about the Tree Sub Committee and Tom continued about how the goals for this sub committee would be to choose the correct tree for the correct site as well as oversee planting.

Ms. Marshall commented that part of what the committee should be doing is to recommend street trees as well.

Ms. Smith then suggested that there should be a record kept of Arbor Day trees and what types they are, to help establish an inventory and track their health.

Lana and Tom then volunteered to be on the tree sub committee, and Karen asked to be placed on standby because she was interested.

Park Donation Policy

Ms. Smith then spoke about the park donation policy, and writing it so that all donors are treated equally as well as communication improvements. She then outlined the stipulations of the policy and read the policy in whole.

Karen asked why this policy was drafted, and if there was some abuse that had happened in the past.

Ms. Smith then explained that this was more of a preventative measure to ensure smooth operations with park donations in the future.

Ms. Coury then asked if there was a way to determine scope on the donations.

Mr. Harmon then agreed that some of the language should be changed so that the lines of communication could be more open.

Ms. Marshall then commented that she thought that this was just regarding park donations, not the relationship with public works as well.

Mr. Harmon, Ms. Smith, and Ms. Meston then further discussed the relationship between the Parks and Tree Committee and the Public Works committee.

Ms. Mosier recapped the meeting by announcing that there would be a work session with Anne Heath before the next regularly scheduled meeting to debrief on Johnny Diamond Park as well as revisit the flagpole and park donation policy.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

APPROVED by the Park | Tree Committee on this 16th day of March, 2021.

Mary Mosier, Chair

ATTEST:

Sammy L. Egbert, City Recorder

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