

**ORIGINAL****Jacobs**

**PARK'S
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Thursday March 21, 2024, 6:00 p.m. MT**

The scheduled meeting of the Park's Committee was called to order by Chairman Mike Pratt at approximately 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 21, 2024, in the Council Chambers of City Hall. Committee members present in person were Chair Mike Pratt, Michael Partin, Michael Braden, Marc Berg; Deborah Folden, and Andrew Maeda were excused.

Others present in person were, Ex-Officio City Manager/Ex-Officio Economic Development Director Dan Cummings, Assistant Project Director, Al Haun.

Mike Pratt led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA

This Agenda was posted on March 18, 2024; copies of the agenda and minutes are available at the Public Works Headquarters and on the city's website at www.ontariooregon.org.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADOPT THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED

PUBLIC COMMENT

NONE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

January 18, 2024

Amend the January 18, 2024, minutes:

RESOLUTION, ACTION &/OR MOTION

THE MOTION WAS MADE TO RECORD MICHAEL PARTIN'S VOTE OF 'YES' TO ELECTION OF OFFICERS, CHAIR, VICE-CHAIR, AND SECRETARY. MOTION TO APPROVE THE AMENDED MINUTES: MICHAEL PARTIN-YES, MARC BERG-YES, MICHAEL BRADEN-YES, MIKE PRATT-YES (ANDREW MAEDA, DEBORAH FOLDEN WERE EXUSED)

DISCUSSION ITEMS

A) Dog Parks

- The city has received several complaints.
- If patrons refuse to clean up after their pets, it becomes a health hazard.
- The city is debating if all the city dog areas in the parks should be closed.
- **MBraden** – The feces problem is across the park (Beck) and not just in the dog areas.
- Design ideas have been outgoing and will be in the park Master Plan.
- Four Rivers uses the tennis courts, there is a concern about losing balls into the dog area.
- One suggestion was to add netting on the north fence of the tennis courts.
- Another option is to leave 20-30 feet of space between the tennis courts and a dog fence.
- The city has offered fencing from the Airport if this project is approved.

B) EPA Change Grant

- Andrew was not present to add to this item.

C) Serve Day April 27th

- The city is not submitting a project this year.
- Kiwanis will have two painting projects and the fencing install at Lanterman.

D) Airport fencing follow-up

- Kiwanis assisted Airport Manager Andy Wood, to pull fence posts.
- The goal is to use this fencing at Lanterman and Beck Parks.
- Existing fencing at Beck Park is continuously cut open, to access the NE corner.

E) Wooden benches update

- The city commented that wooden benches are easily tagged and costly to repair.
- Most have been donated to the fairgrounds.
- New metal benches can be uniform across the parks and color coordinated.
- Price ranges from \$1000-\$1500, depending on color.
- If a club wants to purchase benches, JACOBS can assist with the approved products.

F) Funding for Beck Pond walkway

- The grant funding did not come through, maintenance is still needed.
- The city may use their un-matched funds (set aside) to do what repairs they can.
- All clubs are invited to do service projects around the pond.

G) Update on tree plantings at Lanterman and Beck Park

- Kiwanis would like to add ten trees per year, per park.
- JACOBS suggested near Beck Pond, where some trees have died.

H) Future service projects: Painting over graffiti, etc.

- Jacobs had mentioned the number of graffiti tags in the parks, Kiwanis offered their assistance.
- City paints over vandalism within 24-48 hours.
- Any future painting projects can be coordinated through Jacobs.

I) Beck Park Path Funding

Covered under F) Funding for Beck Pond walkway.

RESOLUTION, ACTION &/OR MOTION**NO RESOLUTION, ACTION &/OR MOTION.**

COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

NONE

ADJOURN**RESOLUTION, ACTION &/OR MOTION**

THE MOTION TO ADJOURN WAS MADE BY MICHAEL PARTIN AT 6:33 PM; SECONDED BY (committee member): MICHAEL PARTIN-YES, MARC BERG-YES, MICHAEL BRADEN-YES, MIKE PRATT-YES (ANDREW MAEDA, DEBORAH FOLDEN WERE EXUSED).

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 18, 2023, AT 6:00PM.

Approved: _____

Signature

5/16/24
Date

(Chairman Michael Pratt, Vice-Chairman Michael Partin)