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PARK'S COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES Thursday March 20, 2025, 6:00 p.m. MT

The scheduled meeting of the Park's Committee was called to order by Commissioner at approximately 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 20, 2025, in the Council Chambers of City Hall. Committee members present in person were Mike Pratt, Michael Partin, Marc Berg, Michael Braden & Sandy Shelton; Tyler Whitaker and Andrew Maeda and were excused.

Others present in person were, City Manager Development Director Dan Cummings, and Assistant Public Works Director, Al Haun.

Mike Pratt led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA

This Agenda was posted on April 15, 2025; 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

Visitors: Tobias Braden and Tristan Richard

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

February 20, 2025

RESOLUTION, ACTION &/OR MOTION

THE MOTION WAS MADE BY MICHAEL BRADEN, SECONDED BY SANDY SHELTON TO
ADOPT THE MARCH 20, 2025, MINUTES: MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

A) OHS Tennis Court – Michael Braden

Michael Braden was in contact with OHS Athletic Director Josh Mink. Along NW 2nd Ave and NW 10th Street, the tennis courts are in need of repair. The school district just invested heavily in upgrading their Track & Field facilities. Next on their list is tennis courts. The existing four courts are used heavily by the school and the public. To the east of their courts along NW 9th Street, there is space to expand their courts.

The city helped Four Rivers update the tennis courts at Kiwanis Park. The school paid about \$60k, of the \$140k total cost.

Would the Parks Committee (and City Council) be willing to look at a similar arrangement? They may have missed the window for this year's budget discussions. It was pointed out that TVCC tennis courts get a lot of use. Kiwanis Park has Four Rivers HS practice there. The Lions Park tennis courts are waiting on the pool upgrade. The courts will be damaged by machinery, when the time comes to demolish the pool structures. So, the Lions Park tennis courts are on hold.

B) ODF UCF Grant Update – Michael Braden

Michael Braden gave an update. The ODF sub award grant should be signed in the next few weeks. They will create a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC). This should be set up by June. The question was asked if this funding has any chance of being rescinded. Until the contract is awarded, there is always a chance. But the likelihood is low. ODF says that this funding is not on hold, which should be permanent once the contract is signed.

C) Kiwanis Budget and Priorities for Parks – Marc Berg

Kiwanis had a few changes to their priority list. Marc B reminded the clubs that the City Manager and JACOBS had asked each park to have a list of park priorities, that they could take into the city budget discussions.

D) 2025 Lions Park Master Plan – Mike Pratt

Some updates to Lions Park, including the location of a walking trail through the park, future parking on the east side, and sidewalk improvements on the north. A veteran's monument (including flagpole) will be planned for the southwest corner, by the intersection. There is a tree planted in the northeast corner, around 1980, by a Lions Club leader. They would like to relocate the tree, if it becomes necessary to move for the parking.

RESOLUTION, ACTION &/OR MOTION

THE MOTION WAS MADE MICHAEL BRADEN; SECONDED BY MARC BERG TO APPROVE THE LIONS PARK MASTER PLAN: MIKE PRATT-YES, MICHAEL PARTIN-YES, MARC BERG-YES, MICHAEL BRADEN-YES, AND SANDY SHELTON-YES.

COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- Beck Pond update: No burn along the shoreline yet. The weather has not been helpful.

- Laxon Park: Serve Day is April 26th. Rotary will do some trail cleaning. Some goathead/tackweeds were found on the north side of the park.

ADJOURN

RESOLUTION, ACTION &/OR MOTION

THE MOTION TO ADJOURN WAS MADE BY MICHAEL BRADEN; SECONDED BY MICHAEL PARTIN: MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 15, 2025, AT 6:00PM.

Approved:

Signature





Date

(Chairman Michael Pratt, Vice-Chairman Michael Partin)