

Minutes
Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting,
March 11, 2015 - 6:35 PM - Community Center, City of Talent

- I) **Call to Order/ Roll Call** – Commissioner Janet Chose (Chair) called the meeting to order. Present at Roll Call were Commissioners: Jeanne Tribble, Paul Hadella, Gorden Mobley, Ian Hammons, Kittie Harrison, (Alternate) and Carl Shauger. Absent was Linda Heerema, Present were City Council Liaison, Joan Dean and City Manager, Tom Corrigan.
- II) **Consent Calendar** – Minutes from the January minutes were reviewed. Minor changes were suggested by Tribble. Motion made to accept by Hadella and seconded by Tribble to approve. All voted Aye.
- III) **Public Comment** – Elizabeth Zwick, reported that she and other volunteers had volunteered 170 hours to weed the Old Town Park around the skating area. Public Works has now called off the spraying.
- IV) **Staff Park Report and Financial Report** Tom Corrigan, spoke next. He asked that if Commissioners were to use the City’s Ipads to make sure they follow the guidelines for on line usage. On the budget, he reminded Commissioners about seasonal help. Might need an extra employee. On another matter, he mentioned the new Community Center square footage was in error. Instead of 55,000 sq. ft. it should have been 5,000 sq. ft. He mentioned the roundabout will be worked on near Valley View and Talent Ave. At Chuck Robert’s Park, there will be a “Little Library” spot.
- V) **A. Signage for Wagner Creek Park:** City Manager presented various signs to use in the Parks for information and labeling.

Motion was made to accept standard signs for plant and tree identification to use in any of the City’s parks. Motion passed.

B. Elizabeth Zwick, spoke on Wagner Creek Park’s streamside vegetation plans. She mentioned that a few months ago, Cynthia Care from “Friends of Wagner Creek, Talent”, promoted streamside restoration. Elizabeth showed a map of the park with suggested plantings. She reported that children and adult leaders will come to the park to show restoration at several work stations in the Park. Eugene Weir from Freshwater Trust will emphasis plantings and watering periodically as needed.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hammons seconded by Commissioner Mobley: to recommend to the Counsel to submit the Wagner Creek Project Information Checklist Riparian Landscape Plan to the State. Motion passed.

- C. **New Business** - Meadowsweet Levi, and others discussed the Old Village Bridge, subdivision trail name. Paul Hadella, remarked that the subdivision is not a part of the Greenway running parallel to it. The Greenway is owned by the City of Talent. In the Greenway there is a defined trail close to Wagner Creek that is being asked by others to be named. Tom Corrigan to continue to review suggestions.

VI) Ongoing Business -

- A. Goal setting for this budget year. Joan Dean, explained City Council determines Parks and Recreation, but has more of an overview of the total budget. Some of the budget can be made discretionary by Council either way. Parks and Recreation may have about \$10,000 available, but the switching of Recreation funding from past year’s summer programs to a

new one day recreational event over 3 months is now being planned. Much thought about the budget for the new Summer Program must be made.

Motion was made by Commissioner Tribble and Seconded by Commissioner Hadella to recommend to Council to accept the new summer program as presented by study session. Motion passed.

B. Budget

C. Summer Program

Discussion followed about the new summer events. Paul submitted a suggested program put together by others as follows:

Thursday late Afternoon/early evening, May 14. Volleyball Exhibition (Tom is arranging this)

Saturday evening, June 20. Splash Pad Grand Opening, Dog Fashion Show, Sports/ Games.

Saturday morning, July 25. Family Bike Ride beginning and ending at Chuck Roberts Park, Possibly some activities in the park when families return from bike ride or just encourage families to enjoy a picnic in the park. (RVTD sponsors these bike rides throughout the summers in different towns).

Friday evening, August 21. Arts and crafts early in the evening. (Possibly also Sports/Games), then a movie when it gets dark (Little League has asked to sponsor the movie as a fund raiser. They would like to show the movie where there are bleachers, and sell hot dogs, snow cones, etc. from their concession stand)

Paul, offered to ask S. O. University students to volunteer at the Summer Programs. Ian believes that any kind of wheel sports for kids could be held by installing a mobile connecting track. Joan Dean liked having swimming classes.

Master Planning discussion about cracks in the Skate area: Ian reports that he will look into costs. Paul, reminds all about the Tennis Court cracks. He has gotten a bid for \$5,000, but the bid has many other details about costs.

- D. Master Planning Subcommittee reports:** Commissioner Chose reports that according to information from the City's Community Development Director Zac Moody, it is not feasible to put a parking lot in Wagner Creek Park. Suggested parking would be around the corner on Louis J.

VII) Council Liaison Report –

VIII) Committee Reports – None

- IX) TNR Suggestions –** Little League will be holding games April 4, 10 – 1. Announce the tentative Summer Program schedule as proposed above.

X) Other – None

XI) Agenda – Meadowsweet would like to be added to the agenda

XII) Adjournment – 8:30 pm

Minutes submitted by Carl Shauger

*Approved
Janet M. Close
Chair
April 8th 2015*