

PARK BOARD MEETING
May 8, 2012
Regular Board Meeting
12:00 – 2:00 pm
Currents @ 600 Cregg Lane

Approval of minutes of meeting from April 10, 2012

Minutes were approved.

Park Board members: John O'Connor, Johnna Eisenmann, Susan Ridgeway, Ross Mollenhauer, Norma Nickerson and Dale Harris, Chair

Staff: Donna Gaukler, Shirley Kinsey, David Selvage, Bob Worthen, Jackie Corday

Others: Jim Habeck

Announcements

Public/Guest comments

Jim passed out pictures of the Greenough Park burn site.

Action Items:

Vice Chair Election

Dale Harris announced the board needed to elect a Vice Chair. John moved to nominate Susan Ridgeway. Norma Nickerson seconded the motion. Susan accepted but requested the duties be shared.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded for Susan Ridgeway to become the Park Board Vice Chair. The motion passed with all members voting in favor.

Park Enterprise Request – Shirley Kinsey (Referral, Volleyball)

This is a request to approve the expenditure of up to \$665.00 to purchase sand for the volleyball courts at Playfair Park from the Volleyball Enterprise Fund.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded to approve the purchase of sand using the Park Enterprise, Volleyball account in the amount not to exceed \$665.00. The motion passed with all members voting in favor.

Mobility Assisting Devices on City Trails Policy – Donna Gaukler

This is a request to approve and adopt the policy brought forward from the Park Board meeting in May. Park Board was forwarded language changes recommended by the City Attorney. Members reviewed the revisions, and also requested adding risk management language.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded to adopt this policy contingent upon attorney's final review of language suggested by the Park Board. The motion passed with all members voting in favor.

Discussion items:

Budget/CIP update – Donna Gaukler

Other City Departments are still presenting, no particular update at this time.

Park Board Liaison, Sub-committees, Updates and Staff Reports: Recreation, Projects, Open Space, Operations, Urban Forestry, Greenways & Horticulture, Parks & Trail Design & Development, Conservation Lands Management, Administration

Director - Donna Gaukler advised the Board of a conflict for the June Park Board meeting. DHM Design will be in town for the Fort Missoula Regional Park presentation. Donna will not be able to attend June 12th.

It was decided the meeting would be held Thursday, June 14th.

Park Operations – Bob Worthen, Park Maintenance Manager and David Selvage, Systems and Services Manager, gave a Powerpoint presentation on redistricting and GPS implementation.

Open Space— Jackie Corday presented information on expanding the Kim Williams Trail through a 66 acre parcel located adjacent to Deer Creek Rd between the RR tracks and I-90. The developer and City jointly paid for an appraisal of the property and Jackie feels that it came in really high. She will recommend to OSAC, who will be reviewing and voting on the project at their 5/10 meeting, to approve an offer price significantly below the appraised price. If a reasonable sales price cannot be negotiated, Plan B is to make an offer for a public trail easement. She will bring results to the next Park Board. Jackie also presented a new breakthrough in negotiations with BNSF Railroad lease agreement for the connector from the end of Kim Williams Trail to the western end of the 66 acre parcel. The BNSF lease is critical to making the connection all the way to Deer Creek Road.

- Fort Missoula Regional Park (John O'Connor) -
- Tree Board & TFM (Janet Sproull, Susan Ridgeway, Ross Mollenhauer)
- Extraordinary Events – (Bruce Micklus – Liaison) – No Report
- Conservation Lands Advisory Committee (Janet Sproull)
- Friends of Missoula Parks, Inc – (John O'Connor)

Future Items:

- Budget/CIP update – June

Adjournment – 2:00 pm

Submitted by Betsy Willett, Office Manager