

Lane County Parks Advisory

October 9th, 2023

Meeting Summary

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The recorded minutes are available on the Parks Advisory Committee website:
<https://www.lanecounty.org/cms/One.aspx?portalId=3585881&pageId=4279856>

Members Present: Greg Hyde, Mike Allen, Darlene Raish, Julie Daniel, Reilly Newman, Timothy Foelker, Richard Vasquez

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Brett Henry, Ed Alverson, Kylee Tupes, Jodi Low

Guests Present: Steven Long, Jason Blazar

Public Members: Steve Rafuse

Meeting is called to order at 6:03 PM by Greg Hyde

00:00:00 Introductions

00:01:40 Public Comment

- Steve Rafuse is a possible candidate for Parks Superintendent and is visiting from Anchorage, Alaska.

00:02:22 Assignment Review

- Brett Henry will send the PAC members a YouTube video link.
- Brett Henry will follow up the Covered Bridge Subcommittee.
- Consult Jodi Low to ensure all the PAC members receive the eNewsletter.
- Keep 3-Mile Prairie on the agenda for the next meeting.

00:03:06 Review of Meeting Summary

- Correct the description of the camp found at 3-Mile Prairie to a large garbage dump. Darlene Raish motions to pass the minutes, Mike Allen seconds the motion. Motion passes unanimously.

00:05:15 New Business

1. Presentation: Trail Updates at Howard Buford Park – Jason Blazar (00:06:21)
 - Please see Meeting Materials
2. Presentation: Rivers to Ridges Refresh Vision – Ed Alverson (00:46:40)
 - Please see Meeting Materials

01:23:43 Old Business

1. Covered Bridge Task Force Subcommittee

- Brett Henry met with State representative Charlie Conrad to discuss options for the bridges. One such option was to designate certain sites as rest areas and receive funding under that designation. Will also explore ODOT license plate designation.

01:25:12 Staff & Committee Updates/Reports

1. Volunteer & Marketing program Update – Jodi Low (01:04:30)
 - Please see Meeting Materials
2. Armitage Maintenance Shop Update
 - Invitation to bid stage with a PEMB contractor
3. Campground Host Coordinator
 - Currently a panel is conducting supplemental scoring of qualified applications
4. 3-Mile Prairie Protection & Access
 - A landlocked, undeveloped park where staff removed a large garbage dump on property
 - Looking into different ways to create safe access to the park
 - Currently the only established trail in the park passes through private property

01:32:10 Open

- Mike Allen reached out to Kristen Lee about the Community Charging & Fueling Grant applications. Grant is for additional electric vehicle charging stations within County parks.

01:37:07 Operations Reports

- Winterizing seasonal parks
- Staff members are discussing adjusting opening/closing dates in certain parks next year to allow for a longer season.
- Prioritizing projects for the winter and this fiscal year.

01:39:33 Meeting Wrap-up/Assignments

- Keep Covered Bridges task force on the agenda
- Keep 3-Mile Prairie on the agenda
- Begin strategizing how dog off-leash access within parks
- Ed Alverson compile a report of stewardship activities for volunteers
- Input from Kristen Lee on the status of grants

Meeting adjourned at 7:46PM

