Lane County Parks Advisory

May 9, 2022 Meeting Summary

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Members Present: Jim Mayo, Kevin Shanley, Greg Hyde, Carl Stiefbold, Mike Allen, Timothy

Foelker

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Brett Henry, Bjorn Carlson, Ed Alverson, Cynthia Schlegel, Dan Hurley

Guests Present: None

Chair Mayo called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

00:00:25 Introductions

00:01:40 Public Comment

- None

00:01:52 Announcements

- None

00:01:52 Assignment Review

- Share facilities conditions reports with PAC.
- Contact McKenzie Economic Development Corporation have not been able to reach out to them yet.
- Stewart Covered Bridge Update Parks is looking at adding a fence and gate that can be opened in the morning and closed in the evening. The area is in the right of way, therefore, other solutions will need to be considered. Henry will reach out to property owner to discuss.
- Look at having a field trip later in the Spring or Summer.

00:07:33 Review of Meeting summary for April 11, 2022

- Kevin Shanley motioned, Tim Foelker seconded, motion passed unanimously.

00:08:13 New Business

- None

00:08:22 Old Business

- Armitage Campground Expansion Held an open house on April 12th for public input. Henry stated Parks may look at conducting an input survey. Parks is in the hiring of vendors phase for the project. An arborist has been hired to help with the design phase to facilitate working around existing trees. Parks is also looking at the impact to the day use area and doing some vegetative screening for separation and privacy. The new sites will include two ADA sites close to the restrooms. Parks hired Branch Engineering to look at existing infrastructure as well as the proposed new. The cost of the expansion will be about 2.4M. Henry state Parks did get awarded ARPA funding of 4.3M and are able to use a large portion for the Armitage expansion project. The design phase should be completed in November or December and Parks will be ready to apply for environmental permitting. Henry stated Parks will also be applying for ORPD grants. An arborist will be retained before, during, and after construction to monitor impact along the way. As part of the expansion, Parks is looking at adding a rain garden and more day use features including nature play and an assessable playground.
- HBRA Coast Fork Access Currently the only non-motorized water access at HBRA is under Seavey Bridge, which poses parking safety and compliance issues. Parks applied for a Marine Board grant for the engineering design and environmental permitting. Kevin McCarthy, a landscape architect, has been hired for the design work. Henry stated Parks has a conceptual design in the area along the flat part of the coast fork. Access will include two paths down to the water and will have a portable restroom close by. Parks will be having a public meeting with the Seavey loop area on May 10th. The design will be modified based on feedback received at the meeting.
- District 5 PAC Vacancy The vacancy is still posted on the County website and Parks is still
 recruiting for the position. Bob Wilson has been recommended and Henry will be reaching
 out to him. Henry asked the PAC for continued help with finding applicants for the position.
- Harbor Vista Cabins & PAC Field Trip Cabins are completed and furnished. Henry will set up a field trip for the PAC. June 1st is the target date for opening to the public. Henry will be scheduling a ribbon cutting ceremony.

01:00:59 Staff Updates/Reports

- American Recovery Plan Act Parks received 4.3M in funding for infrastructure. Henry will
 check with ECS for oversite with bid openings. Parks will continue to work on assessing
 water storage issues and needs for Fern Ridge.
- Parks Funding Plan Henry will be meeting again with Bob Keefer (SDAO), to continue working on the Parks Funding Plan and will be going to the board in June. FM3 will conduct public polling in May and will have results by the end of May. The RFQ for a marketing consulting firm closes on May 13th. Four regional meetings have been scheduled for May to discuss the funding plan and levy.

01:27:05 Open

- Members engaged in open discussion.

01:37:29 Operations Report

- Included in meeting materials.

01:40:25 Meeting Wrap-up/Assignments

- Reach out to the McKenzie Economic Development Corporation
- District 5 PAC member recruitment
- Send out doodle poll for field trip
- Harbor Vista ribbon cutting information
- Add climate report to agenda

Mayo adjourned the meeting at 7:42 p.m.