



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
CITY OF ALBANY
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
Calapooia Room, City Hall, 333 Broadalbin Street SW
Wednesday, February 6, 2013
6:00 p.m.

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. APPROVE MINUTES October 2012
3. BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC
4. ACTION ITEMS—none
5. DISCUSSION ITEMS
 - a. Albany Community Pool User group
6. REPORTS AND UPDATES
 - a. Capital Projects Report update
7. ANNOUNCEMENTS
8. BUSINESS FROM THE COMMISSION
9. NEXT MEETING DATE
The next regularly scheduled meeting date is Wednesday, March 6, 2013.
10. ADJOURNMENT

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**CITY OF ALBANY
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
Calapooia Room, City Hall
Wednesday, October 3, 2012
6:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

Commission members present: Mike Graham, Russ Allen, Sharon Edwards, Jill Van Buren, Keith Underdahl

Commission members absent: None

Staff present: Ed Hodney, Director; Katie Nooshazar, Recreation Programs Manager; Rob Romancier, Recreation Programs Manager; Craig Carnagey, Parks and Facilities Maintenance Manager; Debbie Little, Administrative Assistant

Guests present: Northwest Aquatic Association: Kim Rood, Athena Lawson, Dave Baker, Tracy Bates, Garrett Bates, Dori Podrabsky, Evan Podrabsky, Trudy Fields, Kristen Holbo, Rita Holbo, Justin Gordon, Damon Martin, Erica Martin

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. APPROVE THE MINUTES of August 1, 2012

MOTION: Jill Van Buren moved to approve the August 1, 2012 minutes as presented. Keith Underdahl seconded the motion, and it **passed** 5-0.

3. BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC: Concerns over use and scheduling of Albany Community Pool

Dave Baker from Northwest Aquatics voiced concerns over any additional changes to the number of pool lanes along with sharing the pool with the Albany Aquatics swim team. They are happy with the current arrangement, and want to ensure they have continued access to pool time. Graham reviewed the recent changes to the pool time schedule. The changes optimize pool use and generate revenue. Hodney noted, a user agreement has been signed by both parties, and Commissioners have received a copy. Brief discussion followed.

Hodney has arranged a follow-up meeting with the two teams for October 4, 2012. The Albany Community Pool advisory/user group meets for the first time October 10, 2012 at 6:30 p.m.

4. ACTION ITEMS:

a. None

5. DISCUSSION ITEMS

a. None

6. REPORTS AND UPDATES

a. Capital Project Update

Hodney reviewed the Capital Project Summary. No new developments.

Timber-Linn Park soccer fields: Underdahl inquired about the AYSO Board bringing in an engineer to survey the park and help create a plan for development. Hodney agreed it is a good next step for continued improvement to the park. Allen noted it is recognizable that improvements have been made at Timber-Linn Park.

Van Buren inquired if Park Maintenance has received many complaints regarding the cutbacks to irrigation. Hodney responded that a few have been received. The cutbacks will be reassessed during the budget process.

East Thornton Lake Natural Area will be added to the list once it becomes an active project.

b. Maja Hlavova

Maja was introduced and an overview of her one-year internship was provided. Maja provided her background and goals for the internship.

c. Staff Reports-Summer events

Katie Nooshazar presented a report reviewing the three largest summer events.

She briefly reviewed Northwest Art & Air Festival (NWAAF), the changes that were made and feedback from debriefing meetings. Underdahl inquired if any discussion has taken place about limiting alcohol to the beer garden at River Rhythms. Staff has met with Albany Police to review the addition of the beer garden at River Rhythms, and currently no changes are planned. Allen asked about tobacco smoking at the events. A smoking area has been designated at River Rhythms, and APD has requested an additional area for the opposite side of the park.

Gilgamesh, the current vendor, provided wine for sponsors, VIP dinner, and the Night Glow reception at NWAAF along with over \$8,000 in revenue.

An economic impact study was not conducted this year. Currently the standard is to survey every three years or sooner if major changes to the event were implemented. The next survey year is 2014.

Romancier provided an update on the Sports and Aquatics programs.

- 4,300 youth swim lessons taught.
- 4,500 attended recreation swims
- Paddle boat rentals served 3,100 people.
- Attendance at COOL Pool usage increased, and rental revenue is \$3,000 more than last year.
- 3,200 people participated in 24 softball tournaments with a \$1.2 million in economic impact

Carnagey provided an update on Park and Facility Maintenance.

Community tree planting projects are in the planning stage for early November. Organizations and community involvement are welcome. Park Maintenance is shifting into the fall schedule, and has started the winterization process.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. None

8. BUSINESS FROM THE COMMISSION:

Van Buren requested that signage for any 5K/10K runs state that walkers are welcome.

9. NEXT MEETING

Van Buren and Underdahl are unable to attend the November 7 meeting. Graham suggested rescheduling the meeting. The meeting was rescheduled to November 14, 2012.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Little, Administrative Assistant

Capital Projects Report

PROJECT	STATUS	PROJECTED COMPLETION DATE	NOTES
Bryant Park BMX bike course replacement	Working to replace a previously constructed, unsanctioned bike jumps course in Bryant Park with a new facility in a more manageable location.	TBD	Awaiting course proposal from user group
East Albany Neighborhood Park Acquisition	City Council has elected not to purchase the property at this time. Staff has been directed to negotiate an option to purchase the site at a later date.	TBD	SDC funded
East Thornton Lake Natural Area acquisition	COMPLETED	Feb-12	Pepsi settlement funds, Parks SDC, grant funds, private donations
Park shelters @ Lexington, Tadena, Gibson Hill parks	Installation at Tadena and Lexington in spring 2013; Gibson Hill in summer	2013	Park SDCs
Timber Linn Park soccer field improvements	TENTATIVE--AYSO and City are discussing field enhancements to improve playability.	TBD	AYSO, City in-kind
Timer Ridge School track and soccer field	COMPLETED. Field grass will be playable in 2012-13 school year.	2012	Parks SDC funding
City gyms	COMPLETED. Agreements with BGCA and GAPS are in place; Timber Ridge gym is in use. BGCA gym will be ready for our use in May 2013.	May-13	Parks SDC revenues, reallocated from YMCA project
Dog Parks	Create 1 or 2 fenced dog parks in Albany parks. Pending selection of one or more locations.	2013	funded with Parks SDC, donations
East Thornton Lake Natural Area development Ph 1	Assessments of biological resources now underway; cultural resource assessment in summer 2013. Site planning to begin summer/fall 2013	2014	SDCs donations., State grant