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BENTON COUNTY NATURAL AREAS & PARKS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

April 11, 2018

Avery Day Room
360 SW Avery Ave., Corvallis
7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Kent Daniels, Phillip Hays, Suzanne Lazaro,
Ellen Tappon, Dan Rosenberg.

Committee Members Absent: Andrew Damitio, Janine Salwasser, Jay Sexton

County Staff Present: Laurie Starha, Parks Director; and Leanna Steinke, Recorder

I. BUSINESS

A. Approval of March Meeting Minutes

Item F. last sentence: Ellen wanted to remove "of other areas for people to go". And add instead "and access to recreation area". Suzanne moved to approve the minutes as amended and Ellen seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

B. Parks Tour - Update

Laurie stated that Adam sent out the doodle poll and that the first choice was Saturday July 28th and the second choice was Saturday June 9th. The request has been sent to the Board of Commissioners for a decision on which date.

C. Hyak Park Project

Laurie reported that the restroom was installed today and that staff is finalizing the plumbing, electrical and the walkway. Mid May is when the restroom should be open. Laurie also talked to the committee about consideration of supporting keeping the park closed from 1 hour after dusk until 1 hour prior to dawn to reduce illicit behavior in the park. Ellen moved that the Board support the park closure an hour after dusk and open an hour before dawn. Suzanne seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

D. Trail Maps Meeting Update

Ellen reported that the meeting will be held on April 20th from 12:00pm - 2:00pm in the new large conference room upstairs. She shared some of what was talked about at the previous meeting and will send Kent more information for the next meeting.

E. Miscellaneous & Park Project Updates

Laurie passed around a handout that had a map of a proposed development off of Ryals. She shared that some flagging had been put up through Adair Park and the Aerodrome to line out the connection of the sewage system to the proposed development. She met with Community Development, K&D Engineering, and the City of Adair to talk about the new sanitary sewer line. Laurie will do some research on any stipulations on the federal land and its uses, and will give an update next month.

Laurie shared that she and Adam met with Pat Hare, City of Adair Manager, and discussed Palestine Church and help with possible improvements.

Laurie and Adam also met with Ed Hodney, Director of City of Albany Parks, regarding North Albany and the East Thornton Lake Park. Both departments discussed the idea of having an MOU for a number of items to help with the maintenance of both parks. More information will come back to the Park Board once it's written up.

Ellen reported that the Peoples Pint raised \$616.25 and the check is in the mail to AFRANA.

Kent shared that Fitton Green has a nice new sign and that a large fir tree fell across the trail near the sign.

Phil shared that in his research for Saxton Park he came across another park in the Alsea area called "Pink House Park". It is actually Campbell Park now.

III. MEETING ADJOURNMENT - 8:22pm

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