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## BENTON COUNTY NATURAL AREAS & PARKS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

### MINUTES

January 9, 2019

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

Committee Members Present: Phillip Hays, Suzanne Lazaro, Ellen Tappon, Jackie Hastings, Travis Obermire, Dan Rosenburg, and Jay Sexton.

Committee Members Absent: Janine Salwasser and David Smith.

County Staff Present: Laurie Starha, Parks Director; Adam Stebbins, Natural Resource Coordinator; and Leanna Buck, Recorder.

#### I. BUSINESS

##### A. Approval of December Meeting Minutes

Suzanne moved to approve the December minutes and Jackie seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Suzanne had a few more revisions to add to the October minutes and will email her updates. Jackie moved to approve the October minutes with amendments, Suzanne seconded.

##### B. Update on Membership and direction of the Committee

Laurie reported that County Council has been reviewing all the County Boards and Committees by-laws, term limits, and membership. County Counsel recommended dissolving the Ft. Hoskins Advisory Committee and the Jackson-Frazier Committees effective July 1, 2019; review the Parks Advisory Board membership composition to assess need to include members representative of Ft. Hoskins and/or Jackson-Frazier on the board by March 29, 2019; and assess introduction of 2040 elements

into the NAPB purpose. She then asked if the current members of the Park Board had any recommendations. Phil recommended the ability to add adhoc committees that would report back to the Parks Board. Ellen suggested AFRANA can partner with BCNA&P to help form community groups. The organization is a "friends" group and this is part of the mission. Laurie would like the Park Board to continue to discuss and email her their suggestions.

**C. 2019-2021 Budget**

Laurie passed around a CIP Projects spreadsheet with different requests for projects in the parks. She then went through and explained each category on the list to the Board. Laurie then asked if anyone had any additions. Ellen added the new play structure at Bellfountain Park. Laurie then asked everyone to prioritize each of the projects. Ellen recommended that staff prioritized the list first and then bring back to the Board for discussion. This will be on the February agenda. Laurie will also share any potential grant funding, possible partners and other aspects that will help with each one.

**D. Miscellaneous & Park Project Updates**

Laurie reported that the Bellfountain project is moving forward. The structure arrived the first week of January. The support structure is up and the roof is on. Project is on budget but behind schedule.

Adam shared that Jackson-Frazier earthwork should happen this summer unless the herbicide treatment to the woody brush was not successful. If that occurs, additional mowing and herbicide treatment may be required, pushing out the earthwork until summer of 2020. This would still be covered under the grant funding.

Adam will have the Park Use Survey data analyzed and done for everyone at the next meeting.

**E. Other**

Ellen shared that AFRANA is co-sponsoring a weed pull event at North Albany Park on Apr 20<sup>th</sup> from 10-2. The Trails planning meeting is coming up in February.

Jay advised that he checked on the sewer line that went in at Adair and that it seems like it was done pretty well with little impact.

**III. MEETING ADJOURNMENT ~ 8:42pm**

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