

**BOARD MEMBERS Shane Fairbanks** - present **Matthew Evans** - absent Mike Dannat - present **Trudee Barfield - absent** Vacant

ORTING PARKS ADVISORY BOARD 104 Bridge St S. Orting, WA 98360 May 4th, 2022 - 6:30pm

### ORTING PARKS AND ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

### 1. Call meeting to order and roll call.

The meeting was called to order at 6:33pm with no quorum present.

#### 2. Public Comments.

There were no public comments.

#### 3. Master Park Plan.

Scott Larson

City Administrator Scott Larson briefed on the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) document. He reported that the idea behind master parks plan is to hire a landscape architect to look at our main parks and develop a plan for how the parks will look and change over the coming years. The landscape architect firm will do public outreach to gather information and form 3 possible master plans for our main parks. The master plan will allow us to apply for RCO grants which is the main to receive funding for projects like this in Washington. He explained that we want to make sure parks are laid out thoughtfully and not just place peace-meal and that we want to make sure access is good for people of all abilities.

The city will be accepting proposals until May 27<sup>th</sup>. The city would like help from the parks board regarding the application review and interview process. Site visit will be May 19, interviews June 10, contract awarded June 29.

There was discussion about property lines at charter park and how the city actually has more space than how it appears.

Mike Dannat is not available to be present for the interview, but Shane Fairbanks is available. Both are interested in participating in the proposal review and interview process. Once we have the proposals we will distribute them to board members to review and get back to the city by June 1 or 2.

## 4. Parks and Recreation Report.

Activities and events coordinator Michell Alfiere reported that the Daffodil parade went well overall and the public seemed to receive the event well. Board members agreed that the event appeared to go smoothly and had a good turnout.

Michell briefed on upcoming events and activities this summer including Spring Tot Soccer, Spring Dance Session and Recital, monthly painting classes, Farmer's Market 6/3-8/26, Touch-a-Truck 7/29, the 2 SEEK summer youth programs, and the possibility of movies in the park once a month in June, July and August.



Shane Fairbanks mentioned that he knows people who operate excavators and fork lifts that may be able to participate in the Touch-a-Truck event. Scott Larson reported that last year the fire district brought out their new tender, a fire engine, ambulance, the city provided police cars, drone demonstration, public works provided a vac dirt truck, dump truck, back hoe, a mower, and the school district provided a school bus and fork lift.

Mike Dannat mentioned that Movie nights have been done at river's edge in the past and a company was used to host the event. The company came in with all the equipment (inflatable screen, etc.) and essentially ran the event.

## 5. Meeting Minutes of March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022.

No quorum present to approve minutes.

### 6. Next Agenda /Action Items/ Round Table Review

Shane – At scoop there it is, wondering about painting a mural on the wall of their building. Curious about what the process would be? Historical society is who has done the previous historical mural. Would probably have to be approved by the planning commission. Michell will email Sam Colorossi's contact information.

Shane – Again, next to Scoop there it is, there's a section of landscaping in the John L Scott parking lot – what is the process or is it an option to ask John L Scott to donate that area and convert it to a seating area? Scott says we would need to check whose property that is, then would need to get approval from the planning commission.

Mike – Park benches and tables in the main park are in need of repair. Scott says it's on the schedule for them to be maintained. Eagle scouts are always looking for projects. Scott discussed the process for a bench that was added near Safeway. Shane has idea for local businesses to sponsor a bench or picnic table. We could look into swapping out for better/low-maintenance tables and benches.

Mike – Asked about spending on the park at Calistoga. City used parametrix for that plan. Things are on hold because the levee may change and take over part of the park.

Shane – the pedestrian bridge crossing over 162, curious about the current status. City realize they need about 1 million more dollars to pay for the bridge. Council was able to realocate ARPA funds to finish funding the project. Goal is getting it out to bid in August.

Mike inquired as the whether we are currently advertising the vacant board position.

# 7. Adjournment

Adjourned at 7:22pm