

UNOFFICIAL MEETING MINUTES

WILL BE REVIEWED AND APPROVED AT NEXT BOARD MEETING

05/04/2022 Blue River Park Board Monthly Meeting

Called to Order @ 7:11PM

Board Members Present: Tony Casad, Melanie Stanley, Jim Parks

Board Members Absent: Josh Cloke

Public Present: none

Agenda Approval:

Additions to the agenda, Shane Sprenger Presentation and Metal Detection.

Secretary's Report

Minutes provided to Board ahead of meeting, available to public upon request. Tony C. Motions to approve, Jim P., 2nd, All in favor, passes unanimously.

Public Comments:

None

Park Status Report:

Park rules have been posted and the signs have all been posted where the new plantings are to hopefully give them the best chance for survival.

PWP did 1000 cubic yards of dirt and are getting rid of the scotch broom in the park and along the Swishers property.

Easter Egg Hunt was a success, and the pictures looked really good.

Park Design Public Meeting

Tony: Thinks the meeting went pretty well, didn't have as many people attending, 25-30 people did the 2nd survey, working on finalized document to be able to hand out to people, one of the questions was would the community be willing to tax itself to take care of long term maintenance on the park- the majority of people said yes, working with a resident of the area that is looking to giving a donation but he really wants it to be tax deduction (Josh and Tony are looking at how he can do that even though we are not a charitable organization), overall good turnout for the meeting but next time will probably do a mid-week meeting.

Stage replacement is complete. Natco was great to work with and they went above and beyond. Tony and Jim are working on a cover.

Natco gave a bid for the new parking area, and they will be getting a second or third bid also so we can make sure that we are getting a good idea of costs.

Tony has received plans for vault toilets like the restrooms at Finn Rock along with the contact info for the builders of the Kiosks there. There are some discrepancies about the septic system and drain field at the park, so the pit toilets may be the best idea and cause the least issues.

Jim contacted the sanitation company to look at what we have there now and see what's there and possibly map it so we can have a better idea of what's there and be able to tell the county what's there. Also contacted Lane Electric to get power back to the park, was referred to the engineering department, making phone-calls and getting that worked out.

Log for Kiosk: still trying to set up timing with John Parazoo and set up an event to get it moved and set etc. Talking to Cliff about doing the cut, so we're working towards getting that completed as soon as possible. Tim L. is still the driving force behind this project, so Tony is getting updates but not the full contact person on the project.

No substantial updates on submission of Outdoor, Wildfire, and Tourism Grants. There is still \$5 million of ARPA money that hasn't been spent so maybe we can get in on some of that. Working with Commissioner Buch on that piece.

Maybe some bird houses and bat houses can be added to the park as habitat enhancements.

Will contact the school about that and see if there's a way to have the woodshop help with this project.

Shane Sprenger Presentation: Jim would caution against the picnic table they sent a picture of; they aren't very hardy. Tony says that a bench on the memorial path would be completely reasonable or having Jeff Sherman about possibly reworking the replacement benches with a memorial etched into the wood. All gave the go ahead to have further conversation with the family regarding that it's a project that can move forward with Park Board approvals as they go. Longevity, durability, and goes with our theme.

Rudy Asman wanted to metal detect the park, but there was concern about the replanted areas and other areas that might be of concern. Everyone is kind of mixed about what to do about the request. Does it fall under the no mining rules? Concerns about area that has been fixed is the biggest thing, so allowing from the tennis courts to the hillside might be the okay option. Tony will be contacting him to let him know that there is some clarity needed for the Board and please come to the next meeting so that we can decide.

Melanie will be picking up a card to send to Suuluutaq to thank them for everything they have done for our Park.

Treasurer's Report:

Checking: \$6384.00	Spec Project: \$3770.00	Savings: \$61,284.00	GIP: \$7777.42
Bills: \$482.45	Total Assets: \$57,717.42	Balance After Bills: \$5901.55	

Treasurer's report provided to Board prior to meeting, available to public upon request, Melanie motions to accept the Treasurer's report and pay the bills, Jim P., 2nd, All approved, passes unanimously.

Chairs Report: Josh not here

Tony and Melanie gave the limited updates they had

Plan amendment still in works, nothing significantly moving forward just a waiting game.

Is the porta-potty being cleaned regularly, yes it seems to be just fine. Has been cleaned every-time Tony has gone to check it.

Adjourned @ 8:05pm