

CROOK COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION DISTRICT
296 S. MAIN STREET
PRINEVILLE, OREGON 97754

The regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors of Crook County Parks & Recreation District, Crook County Oregon held at 296 S. Main St, Prineville, OR on August 8, 2018 was called to order by Mr. Logan at 5:14 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS: Jeremy Logan, Darlene Henderson, Carol Benkosky

STAFF: Duane Garner, Donna DeHaan

GUESTS: None

PRIOR MINUTES: Ms. Benkosky made 2 corrections to the prior minutes under the Presentation of Future Trail Connections heading. The corrections consisted of changing the wording “doing the trails for free” to “doing trails planning for free” and changing “expansion” to “Barnes Butte Master planning.” Ms. Benkosky moved to approve the prior minutes from July 25, 2018 with the above 2 corrections; Ms. Henderson seconded; all in favor.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

- Mr. Logan asked about the 2 City of Prineville bills; Ms. DeHaan stated the \$4993.87 was for water and sewer throughout the District and the \$2850.88 was for July lodging taxes. Mr. Garner stated he spoke with Steve Forrester, City Manager, regarding the way Crook County RV Park is billed for sewer service and how it is not consistent with billing of other similar parks. Mr. Forrester is looking into this and it is likely the sewer charges will decrease.
- Mr. Logan asked about the ABI Attachments, Inc bill; Mr. Garner stated it was a grooming tool attachment used for the baseball fields.
- Ms. DeHaan wanted to make a correction from last meeting that the Jet Pay EFT that Mr. Logan asked about was actually for the credit card processor for the RV Park, not the dump station as previously stated. Mr. Logan asked what the dump station was listed under. Ms. DeHaan stated it was USA Technologies.

Ms. Benkosky moved to approve the bills in check sequence 36666 through 36759; Ms. Henderson seconded; all in favor.

Ms. DeHaan presented Mr. Logan with the Mastercard statements and the Special Districts insurance costs requested at the last meeting. Mr. Logan asked if Linda Sharp was on the Foundation and why she had a credit card. Mr. Garner stated she was a long-term maintenance employee and it was Linda Haden that was on the Foundation. Mr. Logan asked if Bill Siers still had his credit card. Mr. Garner stated he had turned it in to the office. Mr. Logan asked why Cassandra Sykes still had a credit card and if she still needed it. Mr. Garner stated there might still be some automatic payments for the Google system on her card and asked not to close it out yet. Mr. Logan stated the spot check was awesome.

DIRECTORS REPORT:

Mr. Garner stated:

- He was on vacation for the past week.
- The RV Park irrigation pump burnt up today.
- There are power issues at the RV park also. This is a result of the weather. With the extreme heat, a lot of air conditioners are being used and it is overloading the power supply at the park.
- There was recent vandalism at the Storm King Firefighter Memorial. A GoFundMe account was set up with a goal of raising \$15,000.00 to repair the monument with funds going to Crook County Parks and Recreation Foundation. The amount raised in 4 days so far is just over \$13,000.00. The plan is to repair the monument, restore the surface of the whole monument, get cameras set up in the area and to get plaque lights. The original sculptor is in Colorado and Larry Penington has already reached out to him. The sculptor actually gave Mr. Penington the name of a gentleman in Eastern Oregon that could do the work.

- Mr. Garner would like to meet with Ms. Henderson regarding volunteer efforts. There is a strong desire for an “eyes on the park” volunteer group; training volunteers how to report crime.
- Park rentals are up which is resulting in increased garbage.
- Homelessness is still an issue. Individuals are just hanging out and using our power at covered areas to charge cell phones.
- Special District Association of Oregon is offering a safety and security grant. The District has not applied in 2-3 years and is looking at putting cameras in the RV Park laundry room. Mr. Garner would like to set up a monitor system at the RV Park for the ladies in the front office.

OLD BUSINESS:

UPCOMING POOL ADVISORY MEETING: This is tomorrow from 1:30 to 3:30 at Prineville City Hall. Ms. Henderson stated she might not be able to make it. Mr. Garner stated he has received zero feedback of who will be there. Discussion was held regarding the position the Board was going to take with the pool advisory committee. It was decided to thank them for what they have done and that they have met the goal of the committee. Advise the committee that at this point the County does not support us in dissolution and the board will be working on comprehensive planning. Ask the committee if they would like to dissolve or if they would like to assist us if the Board decides to go with annexation.

EXPANSION OF THE DISTRICT: Mr. Garner read his email to attorney Eileen Eakins regarding dissolution and reformation simultaneously and the risk if the County is against us. He then read her response. Ms. Eakins did bring up the threshold legal question that is the gray area the County is concerned about. She did recommend getting strong support from outside the current district. Mr. Logan discussed his position for dissolution and reformation. After much discussion, Ms. Henderson and Ms. Benkosky took the position that the County is against dissolution and pursuing dissolution without County support would be politically nasty and divide us as a community and neither of them could support dissolution and reformation. Discussion then turned to RFP master planning. The possibility of joining with the City for a master plan and combining resources and funds was raised. This would make sense for our community. Mr. Garner will have a conversation with Steve Forrester, City Manager, and take the RFP he has from Bend and Redmond. Ms. Henderson and Ms. Benkosky will start conversations with city counsel members on why we need to expand and how to integrate plans between CCPRD and the City. Ms. DeHaan will send Board members the agreement CCPRD has with the City and what the City has given to CCPRD.

NEW BUSINESS:

UPDATE ON CCPRF: This item was tabled until next meeting.

BOARD MEMBER VACANCY: Mr. Logan asked about the status of a new board member. Mr. Garner stated there were no letters of interest received yet. Mr. Logan asked Ms. DeHaan to send him the flyer advertising for a board member.

SAFE DEPOSIT BOX: Ms. Henderson made a motion to put Donna DeHaan on the list for access to the safe deposit box; Ms. Benkosky seconded; all in favor.

NEXT MEETING DATE & ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Logan adjourned the regular scheduled board meeting at 7:30 p.m. The next regular board meeting will be August 22, 2018 at 5:15pm, at 296 S. Main St, Prineville.