

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

The regular scheduled meeting of the Pool Advisory Committee of the Crook County Parks & Recreation District, Crook County Oregon was held at Prineville City Hall, 387 NE Third Street, Prineville, OR, on August 9, 2018. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Goodman at 1:37 p.m.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Gary Goodman, Dick Hollenbeck, ZuAnne Neal, Jeanne Searcy, Donna Mohan, Linda Adams, Bill Zelenka, Mary Opperman.

STAFF: Duane Garner, Donna DeHaan.

CCPRD BOARD MEMBERS: Jeremy Logan, Carol Benkosky.

PRIOR MINUTES: Ms. Adams made corrections to the minutes from 5/16/18 as follows: added guest “Janet Hutchison,” and added items under the “Questions” heading: “1) Why doesn’t out of district users pay more? 2) Potential stakeholders operate for 5 years? 3) Contact YMCA about operating?” Ms. Neal motioned to approve prior minutes with the corrections stated above; Ms. Searcy seconded; all in favor.

DISCUSSION BETWEEN CCPRD BOARD AND POOL ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONCERNING

OPERATIONAL FUNDING FOR NEW INDOOR POOL: Mr. Logan stated that last night the Board decided going forward they needed a strong plan first. The County Court is recommending annexation and the recommendation of the pool advisory committee is dissolution. The County Court still believes it is an unfair voting advantage with dissolution. Discussion commenced regarding what planning looked like. Ms. Benkosky stated it would be finding out what the citizens outside the district want, who are our advocates. There would be lots of outreach needed. Mr. Goodman asked if it would be fire district or countywide. Ms. Benkosky said the Board talked about dividing it and having both on the ballot. She stated that the County’s political and moral value will not change. Ms. Neal discussed with the gray area brought up by the lawyer that annexation would be more moral. Mr. Garner read Eileen Eakin’s response to the legal question that was raised with dissolution and reformation simultaneously on the same ballot contingent on each other. He also read her response to his follow-up question if citizens file a petition for dissolution, is it worth the fight in her opinion. She stated the court must review the petition and the legal threshold will not go away and might invite a legal challenge. The best case would be if there was strong support from outside the District. Ms. Neal asked why dissolution was still on the table as an option and do we really want to fight. Mr. Logan stated there were a lot of assumptions being made by the Board based on the previous meeting where the pool committee was strongly opposed to dissolution, but now he is hearing otherwise. Further discussion was had regarding previous experiences with failed elections, how much time and money is invested so far and how even if the pool bond passed there are no funds for operation and options for operations funding. Ms. Neal raised the idea to not tie the pool and annexation/dissolution together in planning. Ms. Benkosky stated that the new pool needs to be a large part of the comprehensive plan and they need to be tied together. Mr. Goodman asked the question of the committee members who would be in favor of dissolution (vote - 0), who would be in favor of annexation (vote - 5). The committee members would also like to see a plan before committing. Mr. Logan says the pool committee members could talk up the pool and the Board could talk up annexation, but they are dependent on each other. Mr. Logan asked if the committee wants to go on a hiatus, dissolve or redirect the committee to be a subcommittee for planning. He stated it could result in a long hiatus. Ms. Neal asked what the timeframe for selling the plan to the community was. Mr. Logan stated the Board is looking at the November 2019 election and having the annexation and pool bond on the same ballot. The pool committee voted for a hiatus at this time.

NEXT MEETING DATE/ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Goodman adjourned the Pool Advisory Board meeting at 3:37 p.m. A new meeting date is not set at this time.