



Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District

ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Natural Resources Advisory Committee Meeting

Date: September 24, 2013

Time: 6:30 pm

Location: Fanno Creek Service Center

In Attendance

Committee Members: Rod Coles, Mitch Cruzan, Don Nearhood, Cory Samia,
Matthew Shepherd, Jack Shorr
Staff: Bruce Barbarasch
Guests: Calin Gherghe, Dennis O'Connor, Laura Porter

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mitch at 6:36 pm.

II. Approval of Minutes

Discussion. Motion to approve – Don. Second – Rod. Approved unanimously.

III. Financial Report

None.

IV. Old Business

- a. Park Updates. The Committee reviewed a number of current projects. There were particular concerns about the Crescent Connection/Beaverton Creek Trail. Several Committee members felt that the width and location of the trail in the buffer or wetland would cause damage to the habitat. Some members felt it was a win-win if the trail was built and the habitat was enhanced.

V. New Business

- a. Ground rules for visitors, member discussion. After each discussion item, but before a vote, guests will be given three minutes to make a point. Guests may not participate in the discussion.
- b. NRAC Secretary. Matthew will serve as secretary when Cory is unable to attend.
- c. Priorities and goals for the fall. Mitch asked the group to consider things of broad interest, including connectivity of habitats and the Natural Resources Functional Plan.
- d. October field trip planning, October meeting, & holiday meeting planning. The next meeting will be October 22, and there will be one meeting on December 3 that will serve as a combined November/December meeting.
- e. Approve applications for renewing members. Motion to approve – Don, Second – Rod, Approved unanimously.
- f. New member interview: Laura Porter. Laura shared her background and interest in the Committee.

VI. Other

- a. The group discussed Laura's application and recommended that she be recommended to the Board of Directors for approval to the Committee. Motion to approve – Rod, Second – Jack, Approved unanimously.

VII. Next Meeting will be held on October 22, 6:30 pm, FCSC.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Bruce Barbarasch