



Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Trails Advisory Committee Meeting

Date: May 20, 2014

Time: 6:30 pm

Location: Beaverton Creek Trail Site Tour Starting at the Fanno Creek Service Center, Beaverton, Oregon

In Attendance

Committee Members Present:	Chair Tom Hjort, Vice Chair, John Gruher, Kevin Apperson, Bernadette Le, Leda Mareth, Kevin O'Donnell, John Ratliff, Juan M, Beaverton Bicycle Advisory Committee Rotating Member
Ex-Officio Committee Members Present:	None
THPRD Staff:	Steve Gulgren
Prospective Members Present:	Gerri Scheerens, Sam Scheerens
Absent:	Elaine Woods

I. Welcome

Chair Tom Hjort called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

II. Introduction of Guests/Visitors

Self-introduction by each person present.

III. Approval of April Meeting Minutes and Volunteer Hours for April

a) Committee members present have reviewed the April Minutes.

MOTION made (John Gruher) and seconded (John Ratliff) for approval of the April meeting minutes. Unanimous vote in favor of the motion.

b) The volunteer hours sheet was passed around and each member recorded his or her April hours.

IV. Announcements

As approved during the April meeting, Steve will make minor changes to the memo titled "Recommendations on the Westside Trail Recent Additions," prepared by John Ratliff, and pass it on, together with the Trails Advisory Committee's recommendation that coarse rock should not be used for shoulders on future projects, to THPRD's safety/risk staff and management.

V. Application for Membership on Trails Advisory Committee

Gerri and Sam Scheerens reviewed their individual backgrounds and desire to join the Trails Advisory Committee.

MOTION made (John Gruher) and seconded (Leda Mareth) recommending that the THPRD Board of Directors appoint Gerri Scheerens and Sam Scheerens to the Trails Advisory Committee. Unanimous vote in favor of the motion.

The board may act on this recommendation on June 16, perhaps later.

VI. Challenge Grant

Previously, the committee approved recommending that \$2,000 be spent for the purchase of a trailer to be used by Maintenance Department (matching \$2,000 from the Parks Advisory Committee). Regarding the remaining \$5,500:

MOTION made (John Ratliff) and seconded (Bernadette Le) that the Trails Advisory Committee recommends that \$4,500 of Challenge Grant funds be expended as follows: (1) electric wheel borrow to be used by Natural Resources Department - \$3,500; and (2) rental of two portable toilets, one toilet to be placed at intersection of Westside Trail and Davis Road and the second toilet to be placed at a convenient location on the Waterhouse Trail, total rental cost for both toilets for approximately six months - \$1,000.

VII. Site Visit of Proposed Beaverton Creek Trail

The committee toured the route of the proposed Beaverton Creek Trail in a THPRD vehicle, with several stops along the way. The tour started near Beaverton Creek and SW Hocken Street and ended at Chantal Village Park close to the westerly THPRD boundary. The tour generally followed the route shown in the draft of the 2007 "Beaverton Creek Trail Feasibility Study." Copies of this preliminary study were provided to tour participants.

One of the tour stops was near the south end of a proposed pedestrian bridge across Beaverton Creek. This bridge would provide students of Beaver Acres Elementary school, north of the creek, a more direct route to neighborhoods south of the creek. The bridge is recommended in Washington County's recently completed Aloha-Reedville Study and Livable Community Plan.

Beaverton Creek Trail is a candidate for inclusion in THPRD's Trail Functional Plan.

VIII. Next meeting will be held on June 17, 2014, site visit to proposed Westside and Rock Creek Trail improvements, starting at 6:30 pm at the corner of 158th and Walker Road.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Hjort
Recording Secretary, Rotating