



CITY OF YACHATS
PARKS AND COMMONS COMMISSION
September 6, 2022
Zoom Meeting Summary

I. (00:34) Meeting Call to Order

Chair Craig Berdie called to order on this Sept 6, 2022, meeting of the Parks and Commons Commission at 2:00 pm via Zoom Meeting. Members present: Dean Shrock, Michael Hempen, Adam Altson and Catherine Carey (late to meeting is traveling). Trails - Joanne Kittel and Bob Langley

II. (01:07) Correspondence/Communications - None

III. (01:30) Reports

1. **Summery Minutes - None**

2. **Yachats Trails Committee** – Langley stated Marine Dr and Aqua Vista Lp. fence is failing, see if McClung can go through the same process to get it fixed, it only needs two rails instead of three, see if other fencing projects need to be added to this same project.

Stott stated Ocean View Dr. timeline still has a couple easements that need to be signed; Kittel believes that the planting in Sunset Parks can still happen.

IV. Ongoing Projects – Berdie

1. **Delineators Hwy 101** –contract signed by ODOT and moving forward.

2. **(12:05) Green Space** – Berdie - No change, council only wants to dredge the pond, but has concerns for plans of the boardwalk need repairing; check if restoring all three ponds; it is becoming a fen, 6/7 native plants are appearing in the area, not invasive; need RFP for a wetland’s specialist.

3. **(26:30) Bicycle Racks** – Hempen, spoke to Buckwald, setting up volunteers to help with that; Joco has the exact locations and will review and will know in a week or so and start putting them in. Non-employee people can get this done in the next couple weeks.

4. **(30:00) Pocket Parks: Archeologist, Benches Signs, Plants** – making progress on Pocket parks, sign resolution went to city manager, now need to get them ordered, delivered and installed; few day before need to lay out a grid and develop 1’x1’ mark where the plants go; the gravel needs to be removed by a contractor; Berdie was able to work with Celest on Saturday do a bio inventory and added the plants to the document Carey started; 17/18 plants that are in that area; unique to cliffside. Hempen met with the archaeologist, will be out next week and start the report for the pocket parks walkway, green space and the stairs; Recommendations of benches: Altson prefer 8 foot benches the consensus is to go with the 6 foot or 4 foot.

(53:00) Berdie will be forwarding a Sunset Park Request to the City Manager and read into the record, addressing the purchasing and moving benches: read into the record and will be posted as a part of this packet; Stott mentioned the naming of the park, regarding the naming of the parks but



1 didn't like north or south from her group of constituents; liked sunset and
2 pelican park; Berdie would like to move forward if the commission agree, will
3 recommend to city manager. After reading into the record the official
4 recommendation, they voted as stated below:
5 Approve: Shrock, Altson, Carey Hempen, and Berdie.
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- 7 1. **(1:03:07) Skate Park** the design firm will come down in the early winter to
8 raise funds.

9 New business

10 **(1:03:22) Master plan for the parks** – Berdie sent out Master Plan that
11 primarily describes the wetland, greenspace areas in detail , it does include
12 the parks in Yachats; as housing and parking studies proceed they might
13 change the open spaces in the city; that there is not dedicated green space
14 nor pocket parks throughout the city; need low income housing for different
15 reasons; there are local govt grants for this type of planning, there are other
16 grants coming through state parks; Berdie asked that Commissioners read
17 the first few pages of the current Master Plan to see what you can make out
18 of it; Altson stated that Roslund that charging an extra dollar per night and
19 thought this would be perfect if we need to purchase some property, so we
20 wouldn't need so many grants or city money; there are vacated streets that
21 could be dedicated to this, as was done to Prospect Park.

22 **VI. (1:17:10) Commons / Council status**

- 23 1. No update, Shrock appreciates conversation with city manager, and working
24 with the restructuring.

25 **VII. Other Business**

- 26 1. From Staff
27 2. From the floor
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29 Items for next agenda: same structure, master plan discussion.

30 From Commissioners (re: Landmark Property, general interest) – Remove item
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32 Berdie noted the URL for a web site that might be helpful to the Commissioners and
33 public.

34 [https://www.completecommunitiesde.org/planning/inclusive-and-active/parks-rec-
35 master-planning/](https://www.completecommunitiesde.org/planning/inclusive-and-active/parks-rec-master-planning/)
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37 The intent is to help us decide if/how we should revise the Park Master Plan to be more
38 forward looking and comprehensive as density increases through the city. The noted
39 site is only one of many that the Commissioners might encounter. It is intended only as
40 a starting point as it includes references to other content on the topic.
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42 Craig Berdie adjourned the meeting at 3:21pm.

43 Prepared by Kimmie Jackson on 9/6/22