
Parks and Recreation Committee

Thursday, March 10, 2016 12:00PM

Sealing Cove Business Center

Members: C - Jeff Feldpausch, V.C. - Chris Whitehead, Jeff Mossige, Clara Whitehead

Ex Officio: Lynne Brandon, Wayne Challoner

Assembly Liaison: Benjamin Miyasato

I. CALL TO ORDER

- a. Chair Feldpausch called the meeting to order at approximately 12:10PM.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Jeff Feldpausch, Vice Chair Chris Whitehead, Jeff Mossige, Clara Whitehead

Absent: None

Assembly Liaison: None

Staff: Assistant Contract Coordinator/Office Manager Wanda Bush, Administrative Coordinator Renee Wheat

III. PERSON(S) TO BE HEARD/CORRESPONDANCE

Lynne Brandon with Sitka Trail Works reported that the Playground Group was deferred back to this Committee by the Assembly to work specifically on the funding for the Crescent Harbor playground and to get support. She provided a motion she would like to present to the Assembly. Lynne encouraged the Committee to be assertive and Crescent Harbor Park should be a priority and the only focus. Right now the Playground is working on the Design. In addition, there will be fundraising.

IV. REPORTS

- a. Chair – Asked if a motion would be made to move the Community Playground discussion and voting of Chair/V-Chair to start the meeting due to a shortened meeting this time.
- b. Members –
- c. City Staff – None
- d. Assembly Liaison – None
- e. Other(s) – Lynne Brandon reported on Community Playground

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Community Playgrounds/Crescent Harbor Playground

Jeff Mossige reported the playground group is wanting to do a proposed discussion of a motion that would allow the money for the resurfacing of all of the playgrounds to a City project. This would create leverage for further funding.

M – Mossige/S – Whitehead moved to recommend creating a City project for the Crescent Harbor playground and funding it with \$40,000 or more. With an active community fundraising effort underway to rectify safety and accessibility issues

with deferred maintenance project at Crescent Harbor playground, this playground is the top priority. Funds can be used from the \$40,000 for playground surfacing in the FY'16 Parks and Recreation operating budget, from the Infrastructure sinking fund, CPET or other funds. If necessary Moller Playgrounds should be closed until funds become available to rectify fully the problems with those playgrounds. These playgrounds will be upgraded during the next community effort regarding playgrounds. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Update on State Parks Management Negotiations with the City

Clara Whitehead suggested that a sign be placed at Castle Hill stating that the City does not maintain this park. Should we push out to the public for volunteers or can the City help explore to contract out for maintenance.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Vote new Chair and Vice-Chair

Jeff Feldpaush was voted in as Chair and Clara Whitehead was voted in as Vice-Chair

B. Review of Deferred Maintenance in Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).

Not enough time to discuss

VII. ADJOURNMENT

A. Agenda items for the next regular meeting of April 14, 2016

Agenda items for the next meeting would include Update on State Parks Management; Castle Hill, Veterans Memorial Park Development, Sitka Trail Works Phase 6, Playground Update, Review of Deferred Maintenance Plan, FY17 Budget.

M – Chris Whitehead. Seeing no objection, Chair Feldpausch adjourned the meeting at approximately 12:40 PM.

Attest:
Wanda Bush, Asst. Contract Coordinator/Office Manager