

CITY OF STAYTON PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 1, 2025 Public Works Conference Room

ROLL CALL

Present: AJ Westlund, Chair

Tricia Hafner
Marco Levario
Jared Burns
Dan Brummer

Absent: Pam Pugsley, Nick Raba

Staff: Julia Hajduk, City Manager, Bob Parsons, City of Stayton

Guest(s): City Councilor Steve Sims as Parks Board liaison

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Westlund called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

PRESENTATIONS / COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

None

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes of March 4, 2025 approved. Motion made by Dan Brummer, seconded by Marco Levario and approved 4 to 0.

Follow-up questions from Minutes: There was a question about information in the prior minutes regarding the status of the PW Director position. Julia provided update.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- a. Amendments to include Pool in the Parks and rec Board purview The Board discussed the recommendations proposed. There was general consensus to keep section 2.d (recommend the City Council on the development and maintenance of trails, bikeways and pedestrian ways within the city's parks) as Mr. Brummer shared some history on prior discussion and input regarding trails and pedestrian connections. Julia indicated that, with their input, she would take the proposed amendments to Council.
 - b. Receive update on walk guide proposal

This topic will be carried forward to the next meeting

c. Select proposed dates for hiking readiness class(es)

The following was discussed and decided:

- Age group target: Young Families
- Shoot for two classes: 1 focused on day trips and 1 focused on overnight trips
- Target late May/Early June
- Weeknight
- 5:30-6:30
- Location still TBD but possibly at the community center

Julia will work on drafting some promotional materials for the next meeting for the group to advised on. We will discuss more at the next meeting. There was also an idea to tie the session (or sessions) with an Ice Cream social event. A suggestion was made to see about promoting the event at storytime.

- d. The Board reviewed and acknowledged the March Parks Report
- e. Earth Day discussion

Julia shared that Bob is planning on planting 5 trees at Santiam Park and 5 at Community Center Park on Earth Day and suggested we make it an event. The Board discussed and agreed on the event being held at the Community Center Park at 3:30.

f. Adopt a park update

Julia shared the mock up from Bob. There was discussion of policies and Julia said she would bring the policies and rules back to the Board for further discussion.

OTHER BUSINESS

Marco asked to add a discussion item to a future agenda to review a list of all donated structures in parks. Marco volunteered to develop the list. The group discussed that the intent would be to reach out to those with aging items to see about getting updated or removed.

It was also suggested that Disk Golf signs be added to a future agenda for discussion. (Note, this has previously been discussed and is on the agenda for the May meeting)

ADJOURN – The meeting was adjourned at 7:03 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for April 1, 2025 @ 6pm