

CITY OF COOS BAY  
MINUTES OF THE PARKS COMMISSION

June 12, 2008

**Parks Commission members present:** Chris Coles, Bill Otten, Patty Scott, Beverly Meyers, Floyd Vandervelden, Jon Eck, Bob Golden

**Not Present:** Cindi Miller

**Staff present:** Jim Hossley, Steve Doty

**Guests present:** James Barry & Janet Richardson, Kristina Nelson – KCBY, Larry McCabe – Music on the Bay

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**APPROVAL OF MAY 15, 2008 MINUTES**

Ms. Coles called the meeting to order. The May 15, 2008 Parks Commission meeting minutes were unanimously APPROVED.

**IVY REMOVAL AT MINGUS PARK**

Mr. Doty stated that approximately eight cubic yards of English ivy, laurel and holly were removed from the area around the barbeque pit during the ivy removal project last Saturday. The organizers would like to do another project in the future.

**SKATEBOARD PARK**

Mr. Hossley stated that the original plans submitted by C-BAY have been modified. He gave each Parks Commission member a copy of the revised plans. There is a volunteer engineer from Stuntzner Engineering that is doing the project. There will be two phases. Phase I encompasses the area already used as the skateboard park. This phase will include a couple bowls, some skate features and a flat area. Phase II will replace the eastern-most tennis court, with the western court remaining. The cost estimate is estimated in the mid-\$60,000 range. The C-BAY group has \$49,000 in the bank, \$10,000 the City of Coos Bay has pledged, and LTM-Knife River pledged \$8,000 once City Council approval is obtained. Therefore, they have the funding to cover the estimated cost of the project. The contractors will be hired as City of Coos Bay employees and there is a lot of volunteer labor and reduced-cost materials available. The project will go to the City Council on Tuesday for approval, and then the city will meet with C-BAY to put together the construction team. Stuntzner has allowed the engineer to use their header on the plans, which means they assume the engineering liability. He further clarified that there will still be a tennis court after Phase II is completed, which will eventually be resurfaced.

**TRAIL AROUND MINGUS LAKE**

Mr. Doty explained that there are some areas of the trail that are going to be repaired. The city is looking at some of the drainage problems throughout the trail.

Mr. Hossley stated the project was identified by the Budget Committee and the repairs are being funded by money set aside for pedestrian/bike trails

## **CITY DOCK UPGRADES**

Mr. Hossley stated that the Urban Renewal Agency expressed an interest in expanding the city dock. The city is looking at expanding the dock facilities to the south and is going to get a cost estimate for that.

Mr. Doty stated the city is looking at upgrading the electrical to 30 amps, changing out pedestals, and adding water spigots to the docks.

Mr. Golden asked how long it will take for the city to re-coop those costs.

Mr. Eck stated that the Urban Renewal Agency would like to get more boats at the dock.

Mr. Hossley stated the idea is that having more boats at the dock will get more people to come to the downtown area to shop, people that want to see the boats and people from the boats.

## **UPDATE CHOSHI GARDEN SECURITY**

Ms. Meyers got some ideas from Gold Coast Security on security for Choshi Gardens and the red bridge. She stated she is aware that the cost is high, but stated that the cost of vandalism is also high. She would like Parks Commission members to take a look at the cost estimate and bring questions and issues to the next meeting so the commission can brainstorm on what is ideal.

## **STAGE ROOF**

Mr. McCabe, President of Music On the Bay, stated they have been working to build a roof at the Mingus Park stage. Rain interfered with concerts twice last year. Due to safety and liability issues, a permanent roof needs to be placed. The preliminary estimated cost is \$120,000. The project has received \$25,000 from Oregon Community Foundation, \$50,000 from Ford Family Foundation, and \$7,000 in local contributions. He further described the proposed project design and materials to Parks Commission members. Part of the project is to also create a handicap seating area.

**MOTION:** Bill Otton - Accept and approve conceptual plans for the roof at Mingus Park stage

**SECOND:** Jon Eck

**VOTE:** Unanimous

## **296 N 11<sup>TH</sup> STREET - UPDATE**

Mr. Richardson, an adjoining neighbor of the park, would like to be involved in protecting Mingus Park. When asked if he was going to put a path down to the park, he stated that he was going to put in plants and maybe lighting that would deter someone from accessing his property from the park.

## **PARKS COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS**

No additional comments from Parks Commission members.

After no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Amy Carlson