

## Lane County Parks Advisory

June 14, 2021  
Meeting Summary

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Members Present: Jim Mayo (Vice Chair), Kevin Shanley, Greg Hyde, Carl Steifbold, Mike Allen, Tyger Gruber

Members Absent: Ashley Adelman (Chair)

Staff Present: Brett Henry, Ed Alverson, Michelle Hunt, Cynthia Schlegel, Dan Hurley

Guests Present: Dean Leonard (Faithful & Gould)

Co-Chair Mayo called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

00:04:00 Public Comment

- None

00:04:00 Assignment Review

- Henry will present an update on the Harbor Vista Cabins under staff updates.
- Henry will update the PAC on the U of O Studio at Mt. Pisgah under new business.
- Henry will email the results of the survey from the North Jetty.

00:05:00 Review of Meeting summary for May 10, 2021

- Approved as written; Mike Allen motioned, Carl Steifbold seconded, motion passed unanimously.

00:08:00 Staff Updates

- Facility Condition Assessment (FCA) Report – Dean Leonard presented the FCA to include the below ground assessments. The below grade assessment is needed for maintenance staff to understand the water and sewer system location and capture the current condition of the facilities. The summary of findings indicate that for the four parks assessed (Baker Bay, Richardson, Orchard Point, & Armitage), the immediate deferred maintenance is estimated at \$10.6M (first year) and is over \$18M over the next ten years.

- Armitage Campground Expansion Update – Henry gave an update on the Armitage Campground expansion project. Project will add additional full-hookup RV sites, possibly more tent sites, trail enhancements, and possibly a new fully ADA assessable playground and/or nature play area(s).
- Either a new septic drain field will treat the sewer or the existing drain field for the campground may need to be expanded with the additional campsites. There could be grant funding opportunities through OPRD. The project is still in the design phase and currently the traffic flow and campsite layout is being analyzed and modifications will be made throughout the design process. Two public meetings are scheduled to gather input/feedback from residents and key stakeholders.
- Harbor Vista Cabins Update – Hunt gave an update on the Harbor Vista Cabins project. Hunt stated Parks is awaiting the final building permits and is working with the City of Florence to see what needs to be done to obtain the final permit. After the permits have been issued, Parks staff will begin pouring footings, then start building the cabins with the ADA pathways and the electrical infrastructure. The cabins will be retro-fitted to ensure they meet the City of Florence’s ordinance for ability to withstand 120 mph winds. Additionally, the site plan was issued and Parks is waiting on the building permit.

00:53:00 Old Business

- Howard Buford Recreation Area (HBRA) Non-Motorized Access – Working with the Arboretum, Henry and Mount Pisgah Arboretum Executive Director Brad van Appel submitted a grant application through the Oregon State Marine Board (OSMB) Facility Grant Program in March. Earlier today the County was awarded the grant. The project will provide improved accessibility for non-motorized boating and provide safe access to the Coast Fork of the Willamette River. This particular submission is requesting \$66,000 of Waterway Access Grant funds from OSMB with a local (County) match of \$29,548 in cash and in-kind administrative costs and a total project budget of \$95,548. This project will begin in August/September 2021 and is slated for completion in March/April of 2023. The funds will cover the design, engineering, and permitting. Parks along with the Arboretum plan on submitting a follow-up application to OSMB for the construction in the next grant cycle in 2023.

01:00:00 New Business

- Mt. Pisgah Summit Studio Project – Alverson gave a presentation of the U of O Studio Project at the Mt. Pisgah summit. The graduate landscape architecture class provided design ideas to minimize the impact from visitors at the summit. The students and their professor Bart Johnson compiled a publication of their work with design recommendations to sustain the ecology of the site for future generations.
- Climate Advisory Committee Report – Mike Allen gave an update on the Climate Advisory Committee.

01:17:00 Open

- Parks Funding Task Force meeting on June 17<sup>th</sup>
- No firework show at Richardson Park this year but day-use will be open to visitors
- Shanley updated the PAC on the North Bottomlands studio project with Professor David Buckley Borden class at HBRA. The theme was “how do you love a place without loving it to death”? The North Bottomlands could become an access point for the Confluence Preserve to the north which would increase traffic to the northern portion of the park.
- Mayo asked about the recovery of the parks along the McKenzie Corridor after the Holiday Farm fire event last September. Henry provided an update on their condition and a status on the FEMA damage submission.

01:24:00 Operations Report

- Henry provided the Maintenance & Administration Operations Report to the PAC in the meeting materials packet.

01:25:00 Natural Areas Operations Report

- Alverson provided the PAC with the Natural Area Operations Report.

01:26:00 Meeting Wrap-up/Assignments

- Henry will provide a follow up with more information on the Electrical Vehicle charging station at HBRA in the Arboretum parking lot.
- Allen requested that Henry add a future agenda topic for PAC recommendations on how Parks can assist in reducing greenhouse gases. Allen would then report these recommendations to the Climate Action group.

Mayo adjourned the meeting at 7:28 p.m.