



**PARK & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD AGENDA**  
**Monday, January 9, 2023**  
**6:30 P.M. – IN PERSON / VIRTUALLY VIA ZOOM**

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The Parks & Recreation Board will also have Business from The Audience at the end of the meeting. To speak during this time, please email [pwoffice@ci.gladstone.or.us](mailto:pwoffice@ci.gladstone.or.us) prior to 12:00 p.m. (noon) on January 9, 2023 with your topic of discussion.

- Self-Introductions/Roll Call. Current members of the Park and Recreation Board are: Nancy Turner, Ellen Faber, Bruce Hildreth, David Michael, Martha Perantoni.
- Approval of December 12, 2022 Minutes

- **Business from Staff**
  - Vacant positions on the Parks Board
  - City Council will have a goal setting session on January 13 and 14<sup>th</sup>
  - City Council Liaison to the Parks Board
  - Annual Volunteer Orientation and Ethics training will be January 26<sup>th</sup> via zoom at 5:30 pm (watch for an invitation from the City)
  - Regularity of meetings
  
- **Business from Board**
  - Review 2023 Park Budget to determine available money for improvements to parks
  - Robinhood Park vendor quote for new equipment and placement
  - Matrix/scheduling for prioritizing and placing new park amenities (i.e. trashcans, picnic tables, benches, etc.). Consideration of process for picking schedule of parks for replacement.
  
- **Business from Audience**
  
- **Next Meeting February 13, 2023**
  
- **Adjourn**

## GLADSTONE PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 12, 2022

Meeting was called to order at 6:31 P.M. (In Person/and Via Zoom Platform).

### **PRESENT:**

Chair John Eichsteadt, Nancy Turner, Ellen Faber, Bruce Hildreth

### **ABSENT:**

Olivia Edwards, David Michael, Martha Perantoni

### **STAFF:**

Darren Caniparoli, Public Works Operations Manager; Kristin Bowen, Executive Assistant for Public Works Department; Mayor Tammy Stempel, City Council Liaison

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#### **1. Self-Introductions/Roll Call:**

#### **2. Approval of October 10, 2022 Minutes:**

Chair Eichsteadt noted that at the bottom of the minutes it said the next meeting would be on November 14<sup>th</sup>.

*Bruce Hildreth made a motion to approve the minutes. Motion was seconded by Nancy Turner. (No vote was taken)*

#### **3. Business from Staff – Darren Caniparoli:**

- Maintenance Update:

Mowing has stopped due to weather conditions. They are in full swing with leaf clean-up efforts. Vandalism/graffiti has slowed down but is still prevalent. They will be doing pressure washing at all the parks (sidewalks, concrete pads, tables, playgrounds, shelters, etc.), painting (shelters, dug outs at Dierickx), and pruning. They are still waiting for the okay on the anchors from the structural engineer to be able to complete the shelters at Max Patterson Park – the shelters will be painted and are usable now.

- Grant Status for Nature Park Loop Trail:

Everything was submitted in November. The award won't be until March. Once it is awarded they will move forward with the design, then go out for bid for the paving.

- Meldrum Bar Park:

Nancy Turner asked if the site plan had been approved/adopted by the City Council – it has. She asked if rezoning was part of the site plan – the rezoning will be a goal for Meldrum Bar and the Nature Park that will be presented to the Council.

#### **4. Business from the Board:**

- David M. Scott Park:

Signage/informational detail for the Ridgeway Park, Parcel A (open space area). The sign and benches have not been ordered yet. The benches will need to be budgeted in the next biennium. They can order the sign at any time. There was discussion regarding the sign

and the possibility of a memorial bench. There was discussion regarding who owns the property – Chair Eichsteadt will follow up.

- Replace Garbage Cans:

Bruce Hildreth would like to see the new style garbage can placed in the Nature Park on the main pathway, near the stationary picnic table. There was discussion regarding the method used for replacement of trash cans City-wide. Mr. Caniparoli will come up with a matrix to share at the next meeting.

- Robin Hood Park Update:

Vendor quotes for swing and possible installation – this has not been worked on yet, but it's still on the list.

Chair Eichsteadt suggested painting the basketball backboard and putting on a new net – this could be a neighborhood project. Mr. Caniparoli had no objections. There was discussion regarding timelines for projects.

- Removal of Berm in Parking Lot of Nature Park:

Mr. Caniparoli said if they get some dry weather in January/February they should be able to remove the berm.

- Staffing Levels:

Nancy Turner asked if they are fully staffed right now. Mr. Caniparoli said in the current budget there are 1.5 Parks FTE's. In the new budget the goal was to increase it to 2 FTE's (with funding from the parking fee machine). Ms. Faber asked if there were other options – such as summer work programs for high school students (grant supported). They currently higher seasonal workers, but they can't find people to fill the positions.

5. Guest Speaker – Adam Beykovsky: History of Meldrum Bar Park BMX Track:

Mr. Beykovsky said it was started in approximately 1993, after a professional BMX track was in the park in 1988. They started expanding the current track after the floods in 1996. They have always worked well with the City and tried to do things the right way. He and his business partner started the Oregon City Trail Alliance to promote bicycling. They were awarded a grant from Clackamas County Tourism in 2013/2014 for \$65,000. An initial \$4,500 was awarded to conduct a study on the effect on the watershed/floodplain, have an arborist do a study on the trees to see if they had done any damage, and to see what impact they were having on the trees in the area. They went before the City Council with a presentation at about the same time the trestle fell into the river, so the City was more focused on that situation.

He helped build a bike park for the Port of Bellingham – a federally funded project. He said with a little bit of help and acceptance from the City he thinks the track could be a real asset to the park and would attract people to the park.

Bruce Hildreth asked if they could come back to the City Council with money. Mr. Beykovsky believes he can get grant money – he has been researching opportunities. He gave examples of other locations with bike parks. There was discussion regarding tourism/incentives/funding/site plan/protecting the environment. There was discussion regarding the location of the current and future track. Mr. Beykovsky would like to see a walking path surrounding the track.

6. **Business from the Audience:**

None.

Mayor Stempel said this is her last meeting with the Board – she has been honored to work with them and they have inspired her to do more. She said open spaces are so important.

7. **Meeting Adjourned:**

*Nancy Turner made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Bruce Hildreth.  
(No vote was taken)*

Meeting adjourned at 7:46 P.M.

**\*\*Next meeting will be on January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

