

EPHRATA PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES

September 29, 2014

Ephrata Parks Commission met on September 29, at 12:04 pm in the City Hall Council Chambers. Commission members present: Jay Mills, Anita Waller, Jenny Sieg, Paul Harrison, Scott Davis and Mike Huebner. City staff present: Director, Ray Towry; Recreation Coordinator, Carrie Sawyer; Park maintenance; Rod Virden & Jeff Allen. High School Representatives: Nate Elliot and Catherine Scellick

I. Call to Order:

- a. Called the meeting to order at 12:04 pm and confirmed present commission members.

II. Additions and Corrections to Agenda:

- a. none.

III. Approval of Minutes:

- a. August 25th minutes. Motion to approve as amended (Davis/Huebner m/s). Motion Carried.

IV. Citizen Correspondence/Propositions:

- a. Trails Committee: Grant update- Wanke updated the commission on the Beezley Hills project, Phase 1.
- b. Community Resource Meeting Information: Towry reported on Community Resource Forum meeting minutes.
- c. Friends of the Lower Grand Coulee- October 27th: Commission will plan to meet with the group.
- d. John Hensley Eagle Scout Project: Commission members recommended Hensley get assistance from City staff and council members on specifics. (Davis/Huebner m/s). Motion Carried.

V. Consideration of Action/Information Items:

- a. Doug Miller Memorial Tree Planting: October 24, 1:00 pm, Sun Basin Plaza.
- b. Commission Vacancy Application- Susana Maceda
- c. Splash Zone 2014: Towry reported on attendance being average for the season.
- d. Splash Zone 2015 Fees: Towry and Sawyer asked members for approval on rounding up Splash Zone admission prices to include tax. (Harrison/Huebner m/s). Motion Carried.
- e. Community Park Clean Up- Rod Virden reported that October 18th is a possible date to clean up Rock Park and possibly Lions Park.
- f. Strategic Planning Session
 - i. Wine Walk – Towry encouraged members to attend the next event meeting.

VI. Special Event Permit:

- a. None.

VII. Commissioner Questions and Comments:

- a. Commission members commented there is a meeting for the Wine Walk on September 30th at Brix and Stone.

VIII. Director's Report:

- a. 2015 Budget- Towry reported he is still working on the 2015 budget.
- b. Recreation Report- Towry and Sawyer reported on recurring programs and pushing to get participants for A Christmas Carol, musical production.

IX. Adjourn: Mills adjourned the meeting 1:00 pm Next meeting will be on October 27th, 2014.

Approved this _____ day of 2014.

Jay Mills, Chair

Carrie Sawyer, Commission Secretary