

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
MINUTES
Nov. 20, 1991

- I. Meeting called to order by Chairperson Steve O'Brien.
- II. Roll was called with all members present except Sandy and Mary Lee.
- III. Minutes of meetings held on Sept. 25, 1991 and Oct. 23, 1991 were read and approved after corrections.
- IV. Michael, Marihelen, and Johnathan Pitt-Campbell made a presentation providing information that could be used in the creation of a decentralized skateboard program. Since the PRC was looking into the feasibility of creating temporary and seasonal skateboard sites at Kalmiopsis School, Bud Cross Park, an area near the post office, and the roller rink, the Pitt-Campbells provided the expertise needed to understand the needs of the skateboarder. Michael stated the existing ramp presently stored behind City Hall could be made operational just by providing a 12" wide, 12' long, 1/8" thick steel plate screwed to the ramp end to feather the 1" drop to the ground.
- V.
 1. SKATEBOARDING
A temporary inexpensive skateboard program using existing facility areas is being pursued by the PRC until a permanent site can be located with suitable funds for development. Steve stated the the City Manager mentioned of the possibility of asphaltting the area behind City Hall for a temporary skateboard site. According to Steve, the City Manager didn't have a problem with the idea of converting part of the pool parking area into a temporary site but he would have to check into it first. There was some discussion about using school property for a temporary site during the summer months and a city facility site during the winter months. The PRC will continue to look for skateboard areas to create a decentralized program with multiple locations scattered throughout the city to allow easier and safer access to more children. As a follow up to the skateboard issue, a workshop was scheduled for Nov. 25 at 7:30P at the Evergreen Savings & Loan to draft a recommendation proposal for the Dec. City Council meeting.
 2. AZALEA PARK
Steve stated he had talked with Pauline Hoskinson to find out why there had not been a response to his phone calls or the Mayor's letter. It was felt that the master plan idea arrived to Sue Donaldson too late to be considered for a student work project this semester. There was hope however that perhaps development of the Azalea master plan by U of O students could take place next semester. Mayor Fred Hummel talked about the possibility of adding a new position for park operation if the new tax base was passed. The Mayor also reminded everyone of the volunteer recognition meeting on Dec. 6. To bring things back into focus, Don suggested that during the up coming workshop the PRC should resolve the skateboard issue, implement the strategy needed to create the P & R Comprehensive Plan, and to establish a guideline for starting community workshops and organizing interest groups for the creation of Azalea master plan.
 3. RESIGNATION
Steve mentioned and passed around the resignation letter of Commissioner Sandy Calta. Steve suggested to the Mayor that it may be a good idea for him to write a note of thanks to volunteers leaving service. Mayor Hummel concurred.
 4. ETHICS
For the benefit of those commissioners that did not attend the government ethics meeting conducted by the city attorney, Buzz recaped the highlights of the session.
 5. PICNIC TABLES
Steve stated the picnic tables were placed and thanked all those responsible for their time and the city for repair materials. Jim suggested that one of the Easy Menor tables be placed at the fountain area for those wishing to rest or eat along Hwy 101.

VI. STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

Steve stated City Manager Cluff came up with a grant opportunity. Dennis has requested a grant application from the Myer Foundation. Since the \$8,000.00 grant could not be used for an existing park program, Dennis would like to apply for the grant to be used to enhance the summer recreation program. Steve suggested that the PRC think of some summer program enhancement ideas for the Nov. 25 workshop.

VII. No unscheduled public appearances.

VIII. The Nov. 20 meeting was adjourned at 9:37P

Respectfully submitted

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "D. Harmon".