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**Parks & Recreation Commission
Meeting Minutes**

**January 19, 2022
7:00 PM**

Minutes approved as presented by Parks & Rec on 02.16.2022.

1. CALLED TO ORDER:

Bafaro, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Brad Bafaro, Vice Chair; Aaron Johnson; Mackenzie Johnston Carey; Tammi McLaughlin; Susan Taylor; Paul Waterstreet; Malynda Wenzl, Council Liaison.

ABSENT: Howard Sullivan, Chair; Glenn VanBlarcom.

STAFF PRESENT: Anne Lane, P&R Director; Tom Martin, Parks Supervisor; Sherri Mead, Aquatics Supervisor; Rachael Van Loo, Administrative Specialist.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Maylnda: President of Forest Grove Booster club is interested in finding a place in Forest Grove for a reader board for community messages and events, he will come back and present on this at a later meeting.

3. CONSENT AGENDA:

a) *Approve B/C Meeting Minutes of December 15, 2021.*

MOTION: Susan Taylor moved, seconded by Tammi McLaughlin, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented/amended. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

4. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS:

Anne added Eastside Park under Discussion/Presentation Items.

5. DISCUSSION/DECISION/PRESENTATION ITEMS:

a) Eastside Park Update

Anne: We have two options, we could have P&R commission attend Feb. 28th City Council work session where PLACE will be presenting concept drawings for the two lots, or we could have a separate presentation from PLACE during our March commission meeting and have joint work session in April with City Council.

Group decided on attending the Feb. 28th City Council work session.

6. B/C COMMUNICATIONS:

a) Update from Parks & Recreation Director

I. Bard Park

Anne: Fitness court project in Bard Park was council approved and the project is moving forward successfully. We are also partnering with the public arts commission to add a mural to the park as well.

b) Update from Parks Supervisor

Tom: Leaf pick up is finished, and we have switched over to street tree trimming.

c) Update from Aquatics Supervisor

Sherri: We have new lifeguard class dates set and some swim lesson session movement due to Covid.

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d) Update from Administrative Specialist

Rachael: Successful online CivicRec swim lesson launch on January 10th.

7. **STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:** None.

8. **COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT:**

Malynda: In-person meetings have been put on hold due to the new variant. There will be a City Council retreat Saturday Jan. 29th 8:30am-2:30pm and on Feb. 12th 9am-11am CCI will sponsor annual town hall meeting. Working on bringing more student voices through a mayor youth advisory council, hoping to fill P&R student vacancy. Reported back P&R Commission opinions on the Fir Lot to council.

Discussion regarding Eastside park location, group agrees that is important to have an Eastside Park and there isn't a lot of choices for locations on the eastside of Forest Grove. Mackenzie brought up nearby property for sale on 19th that is in the same area as the Fir Lot.

9. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 16, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

10. **ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.