

Westside Community Park
~ April 5, 2017 Meeting Minutes ~

1. Meeting called to order: 6:20 p.m.

Dennis introduced Paul Malley, a prospective new board member.

2. Approval of Minutes of March 1, 2017: Howard made motion, Carol M 2nd, all in favor to approve the minutes as submitted.

3. Treasurers Report - Carol T.

Balance in regular account: \$25,647.39, including \$391.00 for horse arena.

CD balance: \$5,019.64

4. Maintenance - Dennis reported on repairs and maintenance on the mowers, mowing and weeding. The City mowed the Dog Park. There are holes that will be worked on, more mowing and spraying is scheduled. There was discussion about repairs needed by the Craftsman mower. There was an anonymous donor and those funds were used to buy the part needed for the Hustler mower. Also, Merrie is working out a new system for trash collection that is working.

5. Old Business:

A. Pump Track update - The work on the pump track will begin at the end of the month. They are getting revised contours for drainage that need to be approved by the City Engineer. Dennis is attempting to arrange for a fuel donation, about 50 gallons will be needed.

B. Equestrian Center - Dennis invited members to visit the proposed new site tomorrow at 10:00AM. The request for relocation will go before the Parks & Recreation Committee later this week. Ingress and egress to the new site from Highway 175 was discussed. Doug Grider, Public Works & Parks Director indicated the issue should not be a problem.

C. Beach Oasis - Dennis discussed rearranging the location of the dressing areas, moving them closer to the parking area. All agreed this was a good suggestion. Storm drainage in the area was discussed. Richard gave an estimate on the cost of sand for the three sand courts. Pure beach sand would cost about \$55,000 per court. The different kinds of sand that could be used were discussed. The options of mixed, or layers of sand, synthetic sand, where to buy the sand and the costs of trucking the sand in and fundraising options were all considered.

6. New Business:

A. Board vacancy - Guest, Paul Malley, is a member of Westshore Little League board. They play many of their games at the Lake County Fairgrounds with some at WCP. They are potentially looking for other locations for their games. They have had to do excessive repairs and maintenance to the baseball diamond areas due to the fire camps held there the last two years, ongoing problems with parking and lack of support from the Fairgrounds as they would like to phase out Little League fields in favor of camping sites. Paul said that the Little

League has interest in helping expand soccer and baseball fields at Westside Park. He is a local resident and anxious to participate and volunteer in local areas and parks.

Carol M moved, Carol T seconded a motion to nominate Paul to the WSCP Board. Approved.

B. Tractor Donation - Richard reported that we have received a used tractor from Catherine Lewis. It is a 1947 Ford 2N. It is in good condition, having been stored in a covered area. It does need some repairs and tires, estimated at about \$500. Richard said it could also be used for publicity and recommends keeping its classic and original paint, etc. Dennis suggested contacting Bill Wilson about parts.

Carol T and Howard moved and seconded to accept the donation. Approved.

C. Memorial Day Run/Walk - Dennis reported that Julie Kelley could not attend, but, was willing to support us in this event again. There was discussion of offering a 5K run in addition to the 2K walk we had last year. All agreed we would like to incorporate our location into the route, which is possible. Other days or dates and locations were discussed. All agreed many events start out small and grow and agreed to go ahead with the event on Saturday of Memorial Day weekend as we did last year. We will start the 2K walk at the Park and end at the Kiwanis craft fair located at Natural High. Options to add a 5K run will be considered.

7. Other items of interest:

- Konocti Youth Soccer League Concession Stand - Harold had done research on costs, and availability of metal buildings. Costs on constructing the building on site were discussed. The Little League is interested in sharing costs helping expand youth activities at the Park and possible discounts available to construction of youth activities. Dennis will coordinate requesting a change in the City ordinance that presently does not allow for food sales. Accommodations have been made at Library Park that allow food sales. Dennis also discussed what kind of water system would be required for the concession area and installation. It was suggested to check with the Health Department and food handling requirements.
- Commemorative bricks - No update
- Kiwanis Work Day - The Kiwanis had a work party of eight people that installed fence posts with connecting cables to keep people off the walk-ways and future construction site. They put up three signs for dog etiquette and the signs for the exercise stations.
- Westshore Little League possible future request - The Westshore Little League is may make a request to move all of their games to Westside Community Park and coordinate with the soccer leagues. This would require two additional fields. There was discussion of grants through the Little League for lighting and field development. They also are able to help with building a facility for food vending sales, help with parking, field development and gathering donations.

Merrie asked about requirements in moving into Phase III developments before completing Phase II. Dennis said this could probably be worked out. Jessie Smart, President of the Little League is very anxious about helping with this development at the Park. Dennis asked him to put together a proposal. There was also discussion about water lines in the proposed area, engineering and storm drainage issues in the parking area.

8. Around the Table:

- Carol M asked what phase the Skate Park was in. Dennis said it is in Phase II.
- Merrie suggested Family BBQ for of all Westside Community Park members at the caretaker location sometime this summer.
- Other donation options were discussed, such as the 100+ Women Strong
- The wagon rides at Grillin on the Green will continue and show the projects under construction and consideration, even though the horse park will be at another location.
- Dennis reported there is excess water at Jane Barnes Field, it has been a wet winter!

Next Meeting: May 3, 2017 6:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned: 7:35 p.m.