

Thursday, September 16, 2021

6:30pm

Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting

NOTES

Members Present: Johnny Calkins, Scott Binder, Charlie Caldwell, John Kulstad; Ben Winker,

Members Absent: Laura Bridy, Jeff Dunk, Phil Heidrick,

Meeting Notes:

Communications:

- None.

Public Comment:

- None.

Recreation Director Report

- Recreation Program Updates
 - Drop-in Pickleball is running on Friday evenings 6:30pm-8:30pm. Masks are required to play.
 - Tot-letics Soccer began on September 11th. The program will run through October 2nd.
 - Staff have been working to develop new programs that can be delivered within the safety recommendations for limiting the spread of COVID-19. To that end staff have developed an afternoon 3 on 3 basketball program for youth in 2nd through 5th grades. This is a new program that will provide youth an opportunity to learn and develop basketball skills in the after-school hours on Tuesdays or Thursdays. If this initial program is successful, staff will roll out additional sport programming for elementary age youth in the after-school hours.
- Park & Facility Maintenance Updates
 - Several open space zones received mowing, hedging and weeding maintenance and detention basins received clearing as part of the Open Space Maintenance Zone agreements. The Parks crew and NHES continue the routine schedule for maintenance on Central Ave. landscaping. Redwood mulch continues to be placed along Central. Hiller Sports fields were thatched, several gophers were trapped, and sprinklers repaired. Downed tree limbs were cleared on the Hiller Loop trails. Staff continues to keep up with daily/weekly routine facility and vehicle maintenance. Monthly inspections were conducted on all facilities and Open Spaces.
- Community Forest Updates
 - Staff has submitted comments on the DRAFT Community Forest Framework report to BBW Associates. It is anticipated that BBW Associates will present a final draft to the MCSD Board of Directors at the November 3rd Board meeting.
 - An MOU between Trust for Public Lands and MCSD is going to the MCSD Board for approval on October 6, 2021
- Hewitt Ranch Property Updates

No updates at this time.

- North Bank River Property Updates

No updates at this time.

- Other updates:

- Staff is preparing to renew the Central Ave. OSMZ through the 218 process. The Central Ave. OSMZ sunsets every 5 years and must go through the renewal process.
- Staff is preparing for an ALL-District Employee Emergency Operations Training to be held in October.
- Staff continues to provide support to other departments of the District; assisting with accounts payable, payroll, and facilitating professional development workshops.

BMX Track & Park Project:

- Staff is moving forward with the filing of a “Class-32 Categorical Exemption” for CEQA compliance for the BMX track and park project. Staff will be requesting the MCSD Board to approve the Notice of Exemption filing at the October 6th Board meeting.

Parks & Recreation Development Guidelines

- Staff presented the most recent draft of guidelines to the committee for review.
 - Ben Winker made a motion to adopt the guidelines
 - John Kulstad seconded
 - Motion passed unanimously.

Intermodal Transportation Committee (Hum. County) Report:

- Ben Winker reported on the recent activities of the county committee regarding improving safety for alternative transportation methods.

Report on Actions of MCSD Board

- No actions to report

AdHoc Committee Reports:

- Skate Park—Charlie Caldwell reported that he could not provide the quarterly reported due to computer failure. HSC currently has \$120,000 in the bank. Is in the second round of review for a \$30k Headwaters Fund grant and recently submitted a \$25k funding request from Coast Central Credit Union.
- Fischer Ranch Estuary project—Nothing new to report
- BMX— See notes on above
- Community Garden—no report

Agenda Items for next meeting:

- No additions offered

Adjournment:

- Adjourned: 6:52pm