

Thursday, December 15, 2022

6:30pm

Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting

NOTES

Members Present: Johnny Calkins, Ben Winker, Scott Binder, Laura Bridy, Jennifer Ortega, Jane Fusek, Heidi Conzelmann, Charlie Caldwell, Phil Heidrick

Members Absent: Jeff Dunk, John Kulstad

Meeting Notes:

Communications:

- Staff shared there will be a ribbon cutting for the Fischer Ranch Estuary trail project on Wednesday, Dec. 21st at 10:00am

Public Comment:

- None

PARC Applicant Review:

- PARC members reviewed the application for PARC appointment from Julie Giannini-Previde.
 - Charlie Caldwell moved to recommend appointment to the committee, Ben Winker seconded. Vote was unanimous to recommend appointment.
 - The recommendation will be brought to the MCSD Board of Directors on January 4, 2023

Dept. Director Report:

- Johnny Calkins inquired about the Dec. 9th Middle School Dance. Staff reported that it was a success. It was sold out; the volunteer chaperones did a great job; parents and youth were pleased that dances could be offered again.
 - Scott Binder asked if MSPTO had reached out to MCSD yet. Staff reported that they had not. Julie Giannini-Previde reported that the MSPTO doesn't meet in December but that the MSPTO has been informed of available opportunities for partnership with MCSD Parks & Rec.

Community Forest Updates

- Staff reported on recent discussions with Green Diamond Resource Co. and the current status of the project.

BMX Track and Park Project:

- Staff updated the committee on recent design status of the project.
- Committee discussed the importance of a path through the park connecting from Washington Ave. to School Rd.

AdHoc Committee Reports:

- Skate Park— Charlie Caldwell reported on status of the Humboldt Skatepark Collective's work toward building one phase of the skate park. Currently applying for change order to the existing permits and getting permission to modify use of Headwaters Grant funds within the skatepark project. HSC is hoping to be able to present the phase construction plan to the MCSD Board on Feb. 1, 2023.
- Fisher Ranch Estuary project— The trail is complete. Johnny Calkins and Laura Bridy reported on the tour of the estuary project last month. Laura said Mary Burke asked for suggestions on how manage public visits to the estuary as it is not desirable to allow unlimited and unsupervised access to the site at this time. Committee members offered several suggestions that Laura will take back to Mary.
- BMX— See notes on above

- Community Garden—Nothing to report

Agenda Items for next meeting:

- Skatepark plan
- BMX design presentation

Adjournment:

- Adjourned: approximately 7:32pm