



Baker City Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Regular Meeting
September 5, 2017
5:15 p.m.
City Hall

Board Members Present: Lisa Jacoby, Linda Collins, Mark Bogart, Loran Joseph, Jeff Nelson, Gail Duman

Board Members Absent: None

Guests Present: Brian Vegter

Staff Present: Joyce Bornstedt and Fred Warner

Call to Order

This meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m.

Additions or Modifications to Agenda

None

Approval of August 8, 2017 Minutes

A motion was made by Nelson with a second by Joseph to approve the minutes as presented. All voted in favor.

Old Business

Dog Jog October 7, 2017

Details of the "Dog Jog" (dog park fundraiser) taking place on October 7, 2017 at Central Park were discussed and finalized. Some sponsors still need to be secured and payment made. Sponsorship cost is \$100, which will include the business name/logo on the back of the t-shirts provided to participants at event registration. Marilyn's Music Plus will do the t-shirts. Ms. Duman suggested purchasing the minimum order of 24, and also talked about color choices, cost of the shirts and set up costs for the design. Marilyn's Music requires the design 2-3 weeks in advance. Mr. Vegter volunteered to create a design for the front of the t-shirt by next week. Since pre-registration is due by 9/22, the t-shirts will be ordered by 9/23. A registration table will be set up with volunteers needing to arrive by 8:00 a.m. on 10/7. There will be a donation jar, doggie bags, and dog treats (homemade by Ms. Duman) at the registration table. If not already pre-registered, participants can register at the event at that time. Publicity for this event includes sponsored newspaper advertising, Partners For Paws Facebook page, Baker City website and newsletter, and flyers have been distributed throughout town. It was suggested to also run radio ads.

Central Park Amphitheatre Improvements

Mr. Joseph reported that no fundraising event plans are concrete at this time. Ms. Bornstedt stated that she submitted an application to Leo Adler Foundation requesting \$15,205 in grant funds. Grant recipients will be awarded in December. She said that there is \$11,388 in Parks department funds in the City budget for partial matching fund requirement.

Central Park Splash Pad/Public Art Project

Potential Splash Park features were discussed briefly. Since there is no funding at this time, it was suggested to make application in next year's round of Leo Adler grant funds. Ms. Bornstedt will be meeting with the Lions Club this week regarding the Public Arts aspect of the project. She has invited Mary Miller. Mr. Vegter said that the Public Arts Commission has a total budget of about \$2,000 committed to mural art. If this piece of art is purchased, the artist will contribute 100% of the profit to Crossroad's scholarship fund. Communication between the Public Arts Commission and the Parks Department was encouraged. A suggestion was made to have an Arts Commission member sit on the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board.

In response to a question regarding the Labyrinth at Central Park, Ms. Bornstedt said she will follow up to confirm the project will be completed.

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New Business

Farmers Market

Mr. Nelson said he was approached by organizers of the local Farmers Market, and they are interested in moving the weekly event from its current location to Geiser Pollman Park. Mr. Warner has also been involved in this topic and is scheduled to meet with appropriate staff tomorrow, 9/6, to discuss alternative locations.

Art on Loan

Artist Don Herman's art on loan piece will be in the current location for 1 year in mid-October. The offered sales price is \$1,500. Mr. Vegter is in discussions with Tabor Clarke about funding the purchase of the art. Mr. Vegter said that \$200 has been committed so far.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:31 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held October 3, 2017, at 5:15 p.m., City Hall.