

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting Action Minutes
October 10, 2019

Advisory Board Members Present:

Amanda Aird
Jim Barnes
Steve Benson
Dahe Chen
Kate Johnson

Members of the Public Present:

James Paris
Justin Paris
Delores Scott
B Kay Grafton
Wayne Lowrie
Idris Evans
Mike Cox
Dennis Mefford
Eric Hoem

Staff Present:

Mike McCarty, Parks and Recreation Director
Brian Stevenson, Program Manager
Erica Behler, Recreation Coordinator

AGENDA ITEM	ACTIONS
CALLED TO ORDER	6:03 p.m.
<u>Minutes</u>	A. Minutes were approved 5-0. Steve Benson made the motion to approve and Dahe Chen seconded the motion.
<u>Public Comment</u>	A. None
<u>Agenda</u> A. Community Opportunity Grant Review B. Summer Recreation Program Discussion	A. The Board awarded funding to two applicants, Charbonneau Arts Association and the I-5 Connection. See attached for detailed list of applicants and awards. B. Steve Benson presented examples of summer recreation programs from the City of Marshall in an effort to see if the Wilsonville Parks & Recreation Department could add similar programs in the future. Amanda Aird added that the price point for the Marshall Rec program was very inexpensive; however, the timeframe of the camp may not be ideal for working parents. Amanda Aird also asked for the population of the City of Marshall and Steve Benson responded that it is around 7,000 people. Jim Barnes asked Brian Stevenson and Erica Behler if the City currently runs any summer programs that take field trips. Erica Behler responded that there are some small field trips out of Mary S Young Park in West Linn through Coyle Outside; however, the rest of the City's summer camps, which take place in Memorial Park, stay within the park. Dahe Chen recommended looking at what the Wilsonville Parks & Recreation Department currently offers for summer programming and seeing what could be added, so as not to compete with other camps currently being offered. Staff agreed to do more research to find out what needs aren't being met in the community, what gaps in programming there may be, what other local organizations may be offering similar programs, what legal requirements there may be, etc. Steve made a motion to the Parks & Recreation Department to explore the possibilities of the City hosting a summer recreation program. Kate Johnson seconded the motion, which passed 5-0.
<u>Staff Reports</u> A. Staff Updates	A. Erica Behler shared that 150 children are currently registered for the 2019 Mini Hoopers program. She also added that the Fall Harvest Festival and Fall Frolic 5K are taking place on Saturday, October 26 th . Additionally, 25 students from Kitikata, Japan are expected to arrive on October 26 th and stay

<u>Board Comments</u>	<p>with host families for 10 days. The students will tour City facilities, take local field trips, and learn more about the local area and culture.</p> <p>Steve Benson inquired about debris dumped at the southeast corner of the Community Garden. He asked if there are plans to clean it up. Brian Stevenson confirmed that the pile will be cleaned up. Steve Benson also asked if the City will be bringing back the goats to help remove invasive species in the parks. Brian Stevenson responded that the goat program was overseen by the Natural Resources Department. Staff will ask Natural Resources if they are considering reinstating the program. Steve Benson also suggested the City look into recognizing significant citizens, either with an award, plaque, ceremony, etc. Brian Stevenson suggested the program might fit better through the Admin Department rather than Parks & Recreation. Mike McCarty offered to take the suggestion to the Admin Department. Kate Johnson asked for an update on the Parks Bond. Mike McCarty responded that staff is refining the list of recommendations they have received and an email will be sent in the coming weeks. Brian Stevenson thanked Steve Benson and Denise Downs for their service on the Board, as their terms will expire at the end of this year.</p>
ADJOURNED	7:11 p.m.