



MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
MID TILLAMOOK COUNTY PARKS & REC DISTRICT
THURSDAY, MAY 16, 2019, 2:30 – 4:00 P.M.
TILLAMOOK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE – CONFERENCE ROOM
208 Main Avenue, Tillamook, Oregon 97141

1. Call to Order: 2:35 pm
Recognition of Persons Present – Board Members: David Wilson, Brian Cameron, Doug Henson, Michelle Jenck Other Attendees: None
2. Public Comment:
3. Consent Agenda: Motion to Approve Brian, seconded by Doug Henson 4-0
4. President's Report: Dave spoke with the OR Dept of Forestry who will be meeting with BLM in June to discuss progress on development of Tillamook Ridge trail system. It was noted that Trailkeepers cannot support volunteer work party coordination as this area is not considered part of the Oregon Coast Trail.
5. Old Business
 - a. Pickleball Courts: Dave reported that work and painting to occur May-June. There are work party signups posted at the Fairgrounds. Funding came from a grant from the Elks club. It was noted that tennis court and pickleball court users are collaborating to ensure utilization by both communities.
 - b. Dog Park: Doug reported that people are using the proposed Ironworks Dog Park even though it is technically not a legal space for that purpose due to lack of fencing, estimated cost is \$40,000. City is choosing not to enforce and has been working on submitting grants to cover the needed costs. Brian noted that he is aware of cities with off-leash dog parks, such as Oaks Park in Portland, without fencing. Doug indicated that enforcement is due to existing State laws but offered to check and see if City or County ordinances allowing for such use, superseding state law, may be implemented. There was extended conversation regarding demand for dog parks and proposed dog park on Hwy 101 per City Master Plan.
 - c. Holden Creek/PUD Trail: No updates at this time.
 - d. Community Survey: Kaylan generated a report from the survey results which board members reviewed at this meeting. Of note: Families responded in high rates, 80% of respondents between ages 19-60. 75% female responses but often planners/decision-makers for family activities. Responses indicate significant desire/need for expanded recreation programming. Significant interest in outdoor recreation, Parks and Sports and Fitness. Also, Arts and Music and Learning Activities. When asked to select up to five programs for Parks & Rec to focus on the following top priorities emerged: 1) Summer recreation



- programming, 2) After-school programming, 3) Outdoor recreation programming, 4) Teen programs, and 5) summer/youth sports camps
6. New Business
 - a. Trails Day-Tillamook, Camp Meriwether: Michelle shared information about the Wellness Activity & Trails committee event scheduled for May 29th. This is a partnership between the US Forest Service, Tillamook Off-Road Trails Alliance, Trailkeepers and the Boy Scouts to showcase trail building and usage (hiking and biking) to all Nestucca Jr. and Sr. High school students. This is intended to be a pilot project and events will be planned with Tillamook and NeahKanie Schools as well.
 - b. Playground Equipment - 9th Street Park: Michelle updated committee members about being contacted by a resident group that is interested in having playground equipment for younger children installed at 9th Street/Coatsville Park. The City does not have a means for funding this request. Board members agreed to have Michelle explore grant and sponsor options in partnership with the City Manager.
 - c. Survey results prompted discussion of how to fund potential programming options. Doug offered to explore how other comparable parks and rec districts are being funded and at what levels. Dave will check with County Assessor to find out what amount was being sought in previous, failed ballot measure. It was noted that TLT facilities funds may be available for some of the needs identified in the survey. Michelle will send Dave the link to the TLT grant and he will report back at next meeting.
 - d. Dave will reach out to SDAO to ask for a representative to come and guide us through next steps in turning survey data into a strategic plan for action.
 - e. Brian will draft an updated press release for members to review.
 - f. Michelle will report back at next meeting regarding Trails event. It was noted that the survey results align with the Scout camp's interest in expanding community partnerships.
 7. Communications:
 - a. Next Special Meeting – if applicable
 - b. Next Regular Meeting – Thursday, June 20, 2019 @ 2:30 p.m.
 8. Executive Session: None
 9. Commissioner Comments: None
 10. Adjournment: 4:08 pm