

CITY OF COOS BAY  
PARKS COMMISSION MINUTES OF  
March 15, 2018

**Members Present:** Vice-Chair, Ariann Lyons, Bev Meyers and Patty Scott  
**Members Absent:** Christine Coles, Bill Otton, Shaun Gibbs, Carmen Mathews  
**Staff Present:** Operations Administrator, Randy Dixon and Pam Patton  
**Guests Present:** Jennifer Wirsing, City Engineer and Will Dawson, Civil West Engineer  
**Location:** City Hall Conference Room

**1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL / APPROVAL OF MINUTES: February 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Unable to address the minutes

**2. NEW BUSINESS**

• **Mingus Park Sanitary Sewer Replacement**

Our guests, Jennifer and Will gave a presentation on the upcoming project of replacing existing sewer pipes. Will passed out a set of plans for each commission member. He took the Commission through the plans, discussing the individual pages by calling out details that will impact the park i.e. tree, one (1) well-established Maple, pathways/asphalt, playground and pedestrian ramp. The project will start in latter June and it would be 30 to 45 days to completion. The project entails removing and replacing the concrete sewer pipe with PVC piping 12 to 15-inch diameter. The pipe will be installed in same alignment at existing depth. Width of trench would be 3-feet maximum. Will asked Randy if they could remove a few boards that would lower groundwater to prevent flooding in the trench, which Randy approved.

They asked that the commission to set a timeline for comments because Jennifer would like to go out to bid in April keeping on schedule.

A brief discussion with the Commission. It was agreed that rather than re-seeding any disturbed grass, sod will be used. Impact to pedestrian traffic and special events was a big concern. Fencing off construction and plating open trenches along with the no-work days for special events. Jennifer stated that has been addressed and would be included in the specifications. The project should provide a warranty for those trees that have been identified, that show signs of being compromised. Randy mentioned there were 4 trees whose umbrellas reach out into the trenching areas.

Also mentioned was the cross monument. Randy warned that it has potential of being a hot topic. Jennifer will contact the group who are connected to the monument and have it marked on the plans to protect and hand-dig.

The commission agreed to formally notify Jennifer with their findings. The Tree Board meets April 5<sup>th</sup> and their findings can be written into the project as an addendum.

It was agreed the Commission would meet at Mingus the 29<sup>th</sup> of March and walk the project to identify problem areas that would impact the park.

