

CITY OF COOS BAY
PARKS COMMISSION MINUTES OF
July 14, 2016

Members Present: Chair, Christine Coles, Ariann Lyons, Bev Meyers,
and Ralph Mohr.
Members Absent: Patty Scott, Carmen Mathews and Bill Otton
Staff Present: Randy Dixon, Operations Administrator, Pam Patton
Guests Present:
Location: City Hall Conference Room
Coos Bay City Hall – 500 Central Avenue

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL / APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Christine Coles called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. with a roll call taken. The chair then asked for a motion to approve the minutes of May 12th.

Motion: Ariann motioned to accept the minutes of May 12th as written
Seconded: Christine
Vote: Aye, Unanimous. Minutes approved as written.

****Unfortunately there was a malfunction with the recorder and no audio was obtained. The minutes will be a summation from written notes taken by staff.**

NEW BUSINESS –

Ariann Lyons expressed interest in having her term as the Parks Commission Representative to the Tree Board renewed. Christine asked for a motion.

Motioned: Ralph made the motion to recommend Ariann's term be renewed to the Tree Board as the representative from the Parks Commission.
Seconded: Bev
Vote: Aye, Unanimous.

UPDATE -

- No Smoking – An extensive discussion among the members. Enforcement of the No Smoking in the parks was questioned. It is not the person's responsibility to explain the ordinance to the offending smoker but only to make known to the smoker there is an ordinance and direct them to the sign(s) that are in place. If anyone is uncomfortable with approaching a smoker, just email Randy and he will pass it onto the police department.

- Mingus Park Hours – The closure hours of "dawn to 11p.m." were approved by council. Initially, it was requested that the hours be dawn to dusk.

- Council approved the recommended two pieces of fitness equipment for John Topits and approved the additional expense of \$655.

- Christine asked that the commission begin visiting the individual parks while the weather allowed. If we can't do as a group, she asked that each of them to visit a park and report back to the commission. Ariann suggested that the next meeting, August 11th be held at John Topits.

48 - City Docks/Boardwalk – Randy mentioned that the council meeting of July 5th, the council
49 thought the project was considerable and consensus of the council was to postpone direction until
50 report on use of existing boardwalk structures were presented. There was concern about the cost
51 and funding to build new docks and maintaining existing infrastructure.

52 - Coos Bay Gateway Improvements/Streetscapes – Phase 1, the north and south entry points.
53 Greenworks has been asked to do a preliminary design with construction documents. Ariann
54 cautioned about Bio Swells. They are high maintenance but will depend on the landscape
55 designer.

56 - Mingus Pool Projects (Three Projects: Plastering of the Pool, Tile and Mechanical System) We
57 had no bidders for the Mechanical System and the Plastering of the pool. It will be re-bid as a
58 package this fall with work to commence sometime in the spring. Closure of the pool is
59 scheduled for August 8 into September. The tile work is to be completed by September 9th.

60 - Bridge Replacement – Because of competing grants, Randy decided not to go for grants until
61 after the Mingus Pool completed. Will be looking at local level, BAH and other health
62 orientated organizations for funds.

64 COMMISSIONERS CLOSING COMMENTS –

65 Bev was happy to report that Choshi Gardens was going well for the last two weeks. She would
66 still like to see a camera in place. Appreciative of how clean the park was left after the July 4th
67 event. Bev also wanted everyone to know about the Eastside neighborhood party/Neighborhood
68 Watch on Tuesday night, August 2nd between 5 and 6pm.

69 Ralph gave kudos to city staff on the Boardwalk for the 4th of July events.

71 ADJOURNMENT

73 **There being no further business to come before the Parks Commission, by**
74 **consensus of the Parks Commission, Chair adjourned the meeting at 1:00 p.m.**

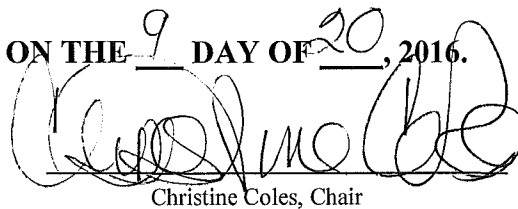
76 Respectfully Submitted,

78 Pamela Patton,
79 Public Works

81 **APPROVED BY THE PARKS COMMISSION ON THE 9 DAY OF 20, 2016.**

86 Attest:

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Pamela Patton, Staff

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Christine Coles, Chair