North Clackamas Community Park
North Side Planning
North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT NOTEBOOK

NORTH CLACKAMAS PARKS & RECREATION DISTRICT

July 27, 2010

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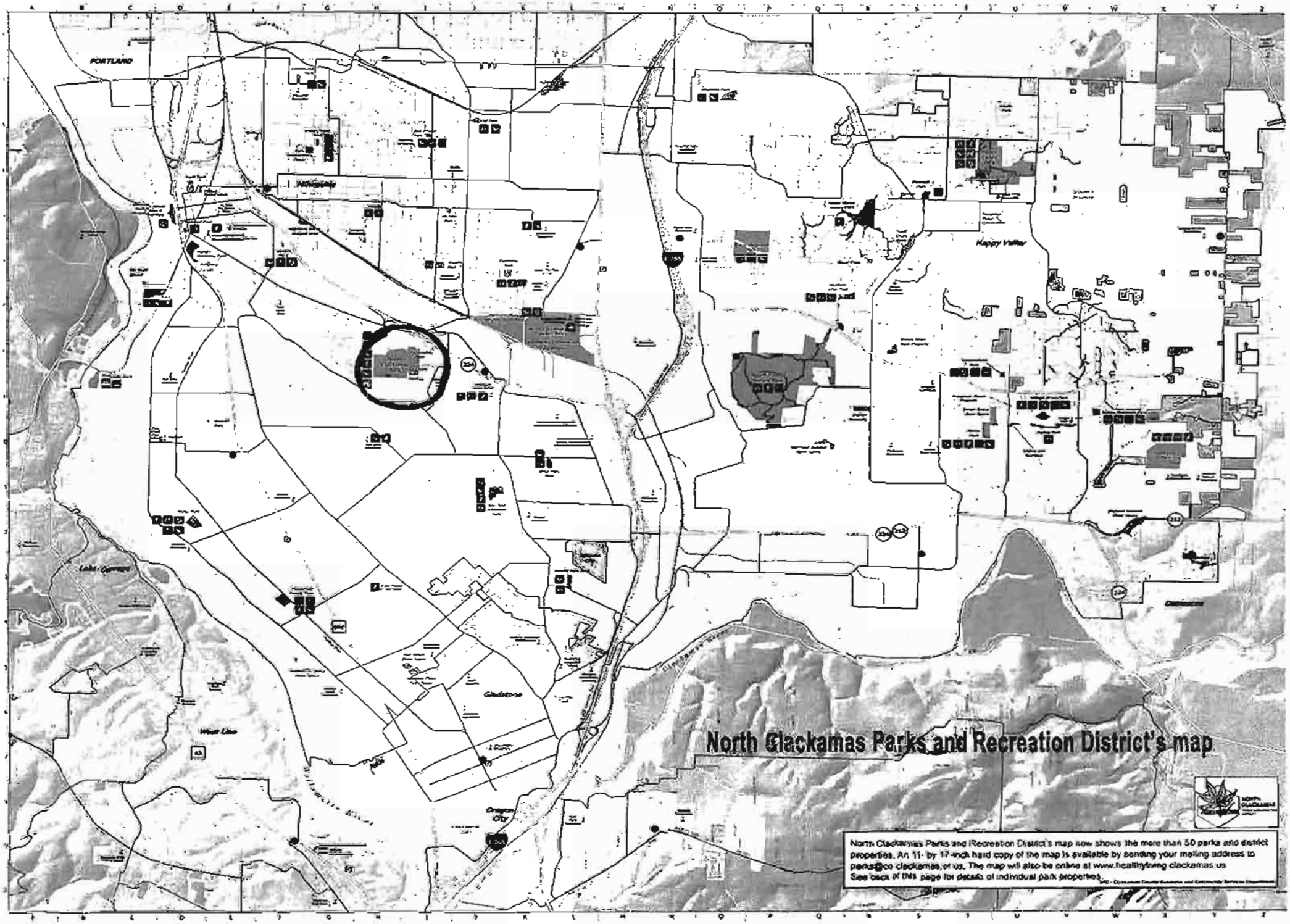
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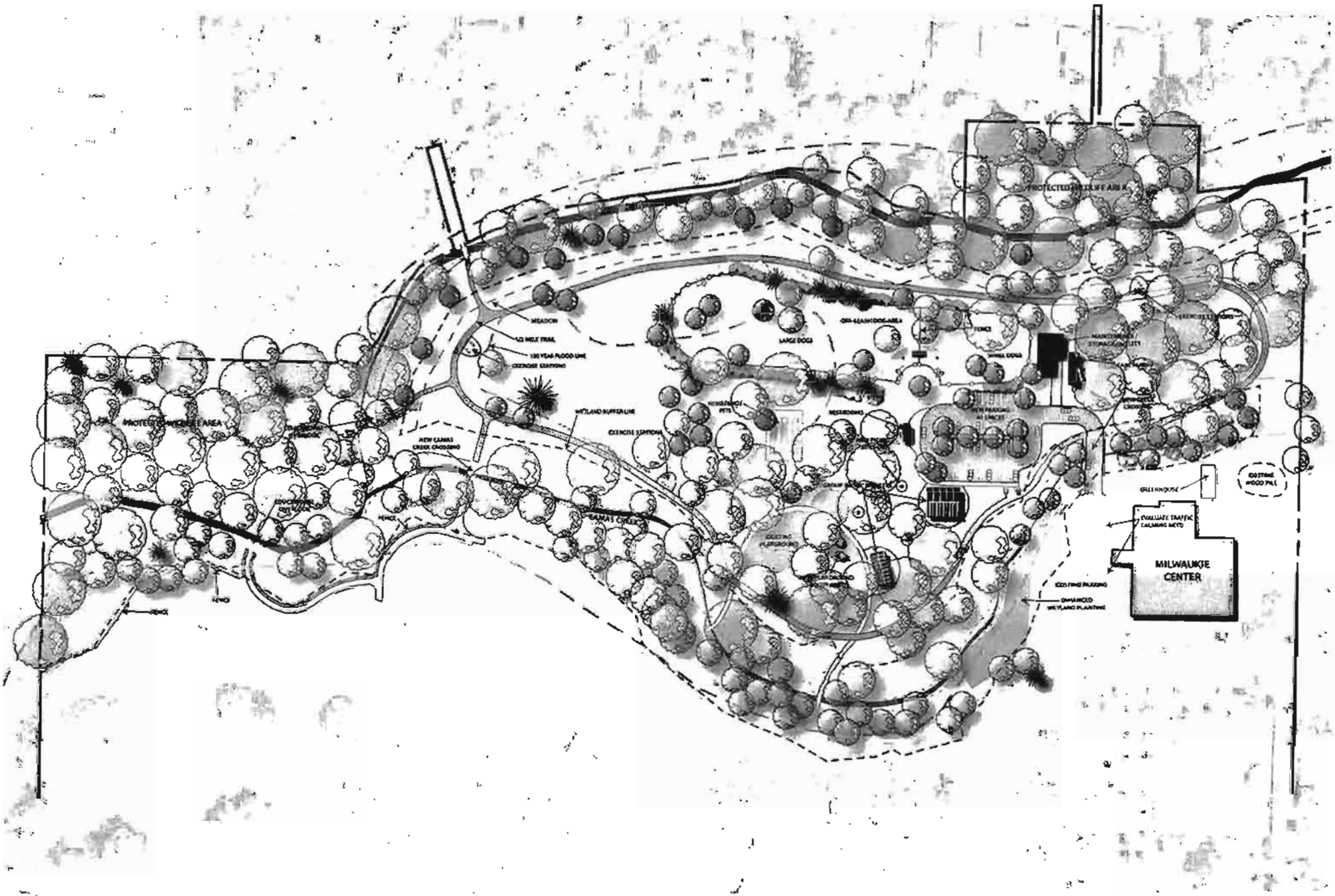

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Summary of Planning Meetings

Chronological Record of Public Meetings for North Clackamas Park North Side Planning

Group or Organization	Meeting Date
North Clackamas Park Stewardship Committee	10/25/2006
North Clackamas Park Stewardship Committee	11/29/2006
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Milwaukie Park & Recreation Board	01/09/2007
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District Advisory Board	08/09/2007
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District Advisory Board	09/13/2007
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Neighborhood District Association Leadership	09/26/2007
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District Advisory Board	05/08/2008
North Clackamas Park Stewardship Committee	05/28/2008
North Clackamas Park Stewardship Committee	07/23/2008
North Clackamas Park Stewardship Committee	08/27/2008
North Clackamas Park Stewardship Committee	09/24/2008
Milwaukie Park & Recreation Board	10/28/2008
District Advisory Board	01/08/2009
Lake Road Neighborhood District Association	01/14/2009
Oak Lodge Community Council	01/20/2009
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North Clackamas Park Stewardship Committee	01/28/2009

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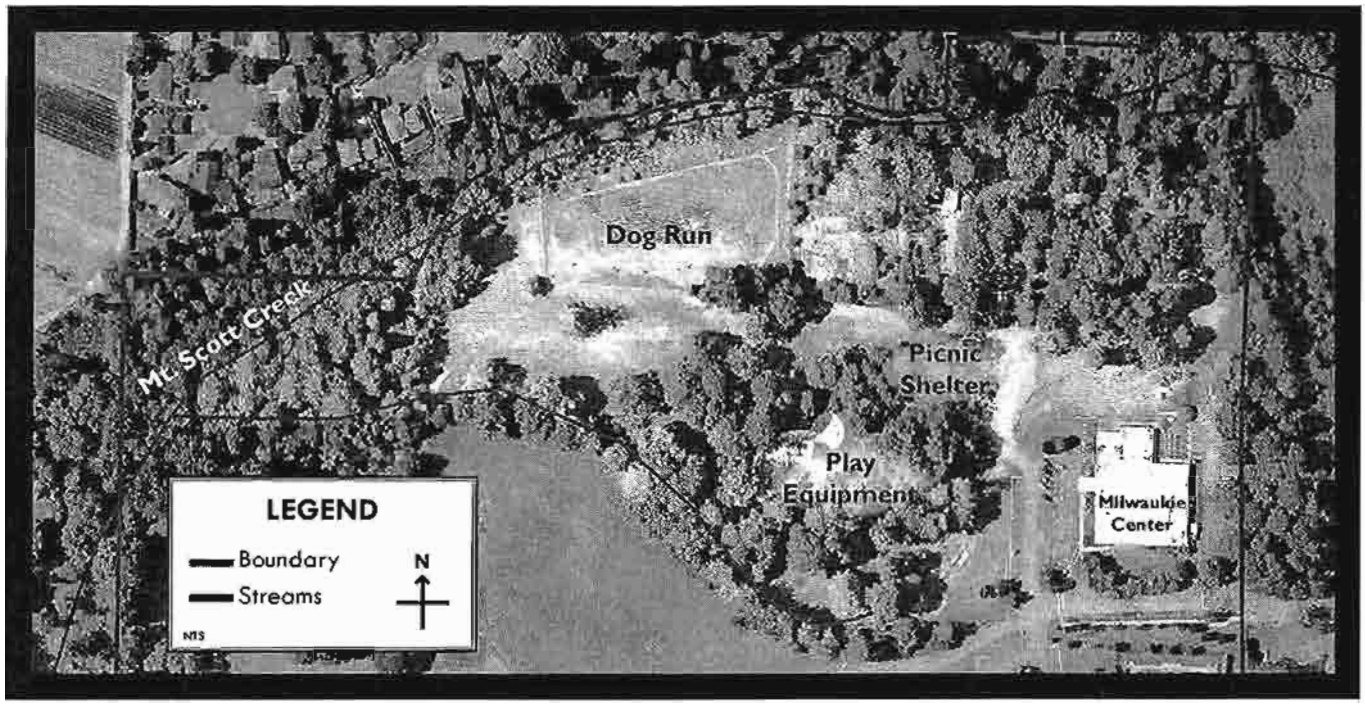

NORTH SIDE PLANNING PROCESS

TIMELINE

May 2007
Planning process project launch

June/July 2007
First public meeting

August/September 2007
Second public meeting

October/November 2007
Third public meeting

December 2007/January 2008
Presentation of final concept plan

Let us know what you think...

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Public Meeting #1
June 20, 2007

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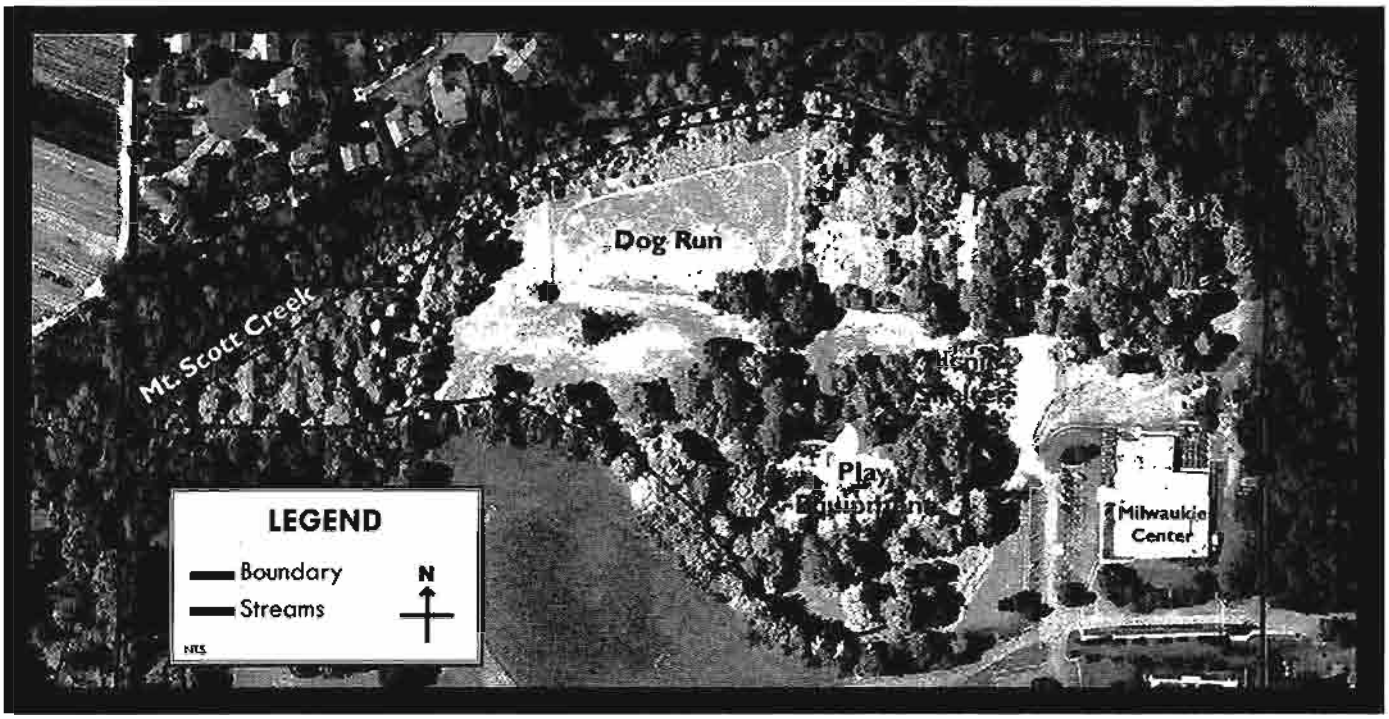

Please join us for our first

PUBLIC MEETING

on the

NORTH SIDE PLANNING PROCESS

6 pm

Wednesday, June 20th

Alder Creek Middle School

13801 SE Webster Road, Milwaukie, OR 97267

We welcome new ideas, comments and suggestions, so come tell us what you think!

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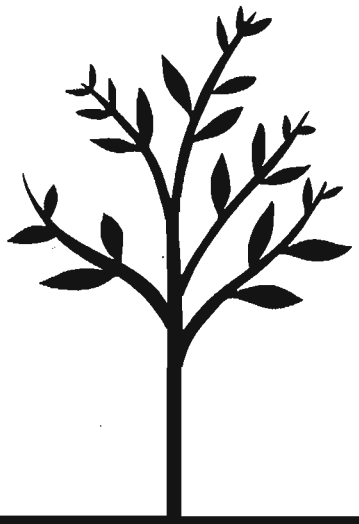
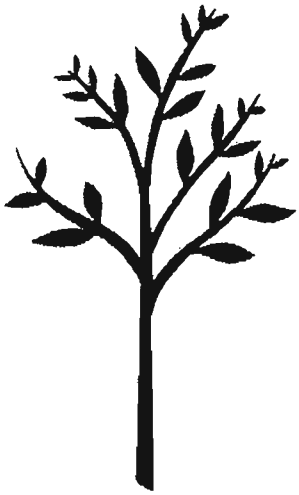


NORTH CLACKAMAS PARK
NORTH SIDE PLANNING MEETING

WELCOME!

June 20
6-8 pm

Cafeteria



NORTH CLACKAMAS PARK
North Side Planning Meeting #1

Alder Creek Middle School
Wednesday, June 20, 2007
6 to 8 p.m.

AGENDA

6:00 - 6:15	**Sign in, view maps and collected comments**
6:15 - 6:30	**Introductions** Presentation by the North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District and Alta Planning + Design
6:30 - 7:15	**Small group evaluations**
7:15 - 7:30	**Break**
7:30 - 7:45	**Small group priorities exercise**
7:45 – 8:00	**Next steps**

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Public Meeting #1

6/20/07

Project: North Clackamas Park, North Side Planning

Location: Alder Creek Middle School

Participants: NCPRD
Alta Planning + Design
Pacific Habitat Services
Key stakeholders
Community members

Opening Statements

Known Information (Michele Healy)

- The caretaker facility is coming out; a temporary solution may be having someone with an RV stay at the park during peak season to help open and close the gate and generally monitor the park
- The playground is not coming out; it's new. The drainage issue will be studied further

Design Process (George Hudson)

- The purpose of this meeting is to learn from the public what they would like to see on the north side of the park.
- At the next public meeting we will show different concept plans and make a decision as to which will be the final plan. It may be a hybrid of the concepts shown.
- The final public meeting will be for presentation of the final plan.

Environmental Factors (John van Staveren)

- Mt. Scott Creek is home to Coho and Steelhead. The creek could be enhanced to improve this habitat.

Activities/Discussion

The meeting attendees were broken into smaller groups and asked to consider a number of ideas for the park. These ideas were broken into four categories; recreation, operations and maintenance, natural resources, and dogs. The comments were as follows:

Recreation:

1. No additional recreation elements added to the north side of the park.
2. No new paved walks; keep the paths on this side of the park natural.
3. No amphitheater, no skate park, no basketball courts, no disc golf
4. No electricity at picnic sites; this would encourage amplified music
5. Add benches and trees to paths for seniors' comfort
6. Exercise stations would be a good idea.
7. Moveable picnic tables end up grouped and barbeque pits end up orphaned.
8. Don't orient all the trails toward the baseball fields; keep the northern walks as a separate, unpaved system.
9. Add boardwalks and viewing stations to overlook the area where the existing culvert is.
10. Remove existing culvert (it's collapsed anyway) and remove the eastern-most bridge.

Operations and Maintenance:

1. Use of organic pesticides
2. No large equipment used to maintain facilities
3. Provide more convenient recycling and garbage cans
4. Come up with a plan for the ongoing removal of invasive plants and introduction of new trees and shrubs (natives)
5. The existing signage is confusing and poorly located.
6. Educational signs added to educate park users about the buffers.

Dogs:

1. Leave the dog park where it is
2. Look at relocating the park to a different location in the park.
3. Consider a large high quality dog park at another park within NCPRD, but keep this one at a small neighborhood scale.

Natural Resources:

1. Explore creating more fish habitat
2. Keep the northern side of the park a more natural, more "adult" area.
3. Investigate to see what the state requirements are for the buffer of Mt. Scott Creek (it may need to be increased to a 100' buffer).

The final activity required each group to decide their top three priorities for the park. The outcome was as follows:

Group 1:

1. Keep it natural with trails
2. Reconsider the parking – relocate or improve
3. Keep the Dog Run

Group 2:

1. Keep it Natural, woodchip trails
2. Keep open areas for passive recreation, pick up games etc.
3. Suitable Parking

Group 3:

1. Protect, Restore, Preserve
2. Keep passive recreation activities
3. Keep the dog run

Group 4:

1. Enhance creek and buffer
2. Trails for adults
3. Create a large dog park facility somewhere else, keep this one, but keep it small.

Other Comments

At the end of the meeting the attendees were given one last opportunity to comment on anything that had not yet been addressed. The comments were as follows:

1. The park needs to have more parking
2. The parking surface should be pervious
3. The boardwalks on the west end are a great idea
4. The boardwalks on the west end are not a good idea, this area should be retained for wildlife only.
5. The park needs to have better signage, it is unclear that picnic areas are available to the public when not reserved for other uses.
6. The south side should have a picnic area for the users of the ballfields
7. Balance the impacts with recreation needs

End of Meeting Summary

NORTH CLACKAMAS PARK

Project Foundation (what we know)

- Focus is on north side of park.
- Caretaker house is being removed.
- 24-hour staff presence is necessary for security and maintenance.
- Playground will remain in current location.
- Newly-installed playground equipment will remain.
- Milwaukie Center facilities will remain.
- Milwaukie Center programming could change to support new park elements.
- Dog run location/presence is yet to be determined.

GROUP EVALUATIONS	Natural Resources	Operations & Maintenance	Recreation	Dogs
What's missing from the list of comments we've already received? What would you add to the list?				
What would you take off of the list? Why?				
Summarize what you think are the main themes of the comments we are receiving for this category.				

NORTH CLACKAMAS PARK
NORTH SIDE PLANNING MEETING

Group Priorities

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

NORTH CLACKAMAS PARK
North Side Planning Meeting #1

Alder Creek Middle School
Wednesday, June 20, 2007

TOP PRIORITIES
as designated by attendees

Keep it natural, educate/interpret	**3**
"Smart" parking, more suitable, better use of space, with trees	**2**
Keep dog area, in some fashion	**2**
Keep open areas, leave trees, passive, unorganized	**2**
Soft trails, for adults, keep out of buffers as much as possible	**2**
Protect buffer	
Enhance habitat/interpretive area	
Relocate dogs, remove large dog area, add smaller dog area elsewhere with separate spaces for large and small dogs	
Relocate picnic shelter to caretaker area, provides more parking	
One place to remain wild, in NW corner	
Picnic areas on south side move (together? to north?)	
Elevated boardwalk, targeted access points protect most of the wetlands, yet sacrifice some areas for appreciation	

Public Meeting #2
August 22, 2007

Invitation
Agenda

Join us for our second
OPEN HOUSE, and give us your input on the preliminary concept plans ...

6 pm
Wednesday, August 22nd

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Dogwood-Camas Room
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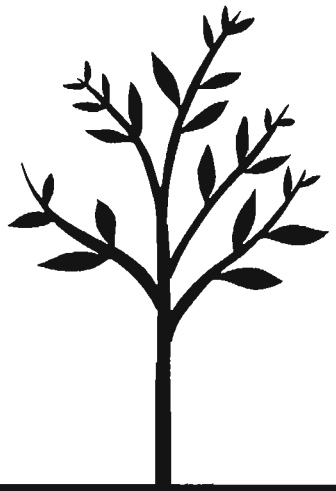

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NORTH SIDE PLANNING MEETING

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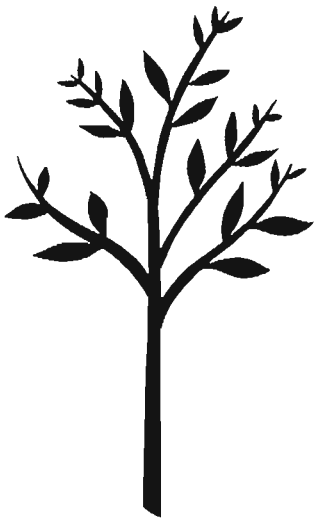
August 22
6-8 pm

Dogwood-Camas Room



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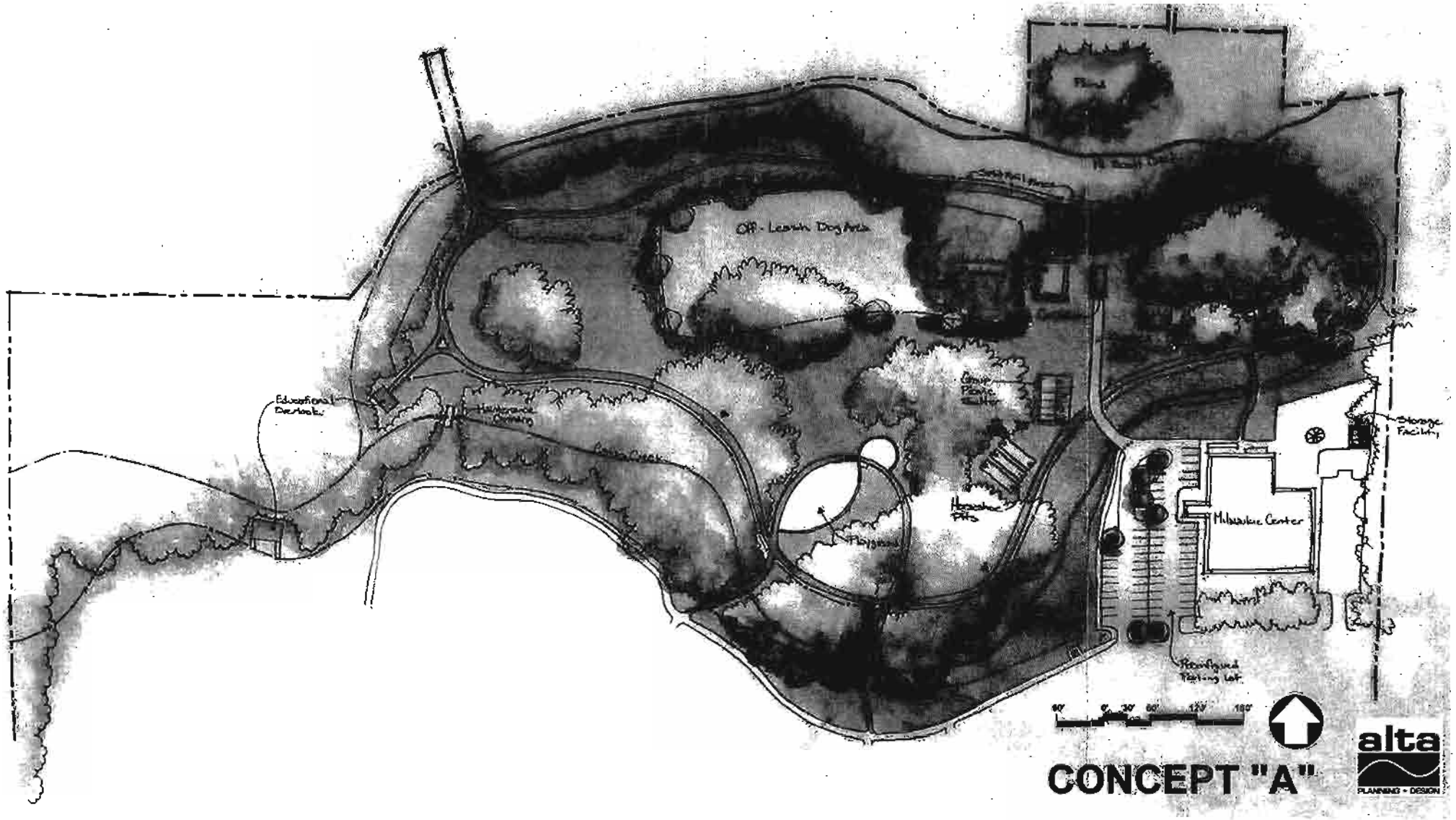
6:45 - 7:00	**Natural resources planning** Pacific Habitat Services
7:00 - 7:30	**Q & A**
7:30 - 7:45	**Survey: refining the concepts**
7:45 - 8:00	**Next Steps**

Preliminary Concept Plans

Preliminary Concept Plans
Comments on Plans


Off - Leash Dog Area
Educational Overlook
Milwaukie Center
Storage Facility
Reconfigured Parking Lot
CONCEPT "A"
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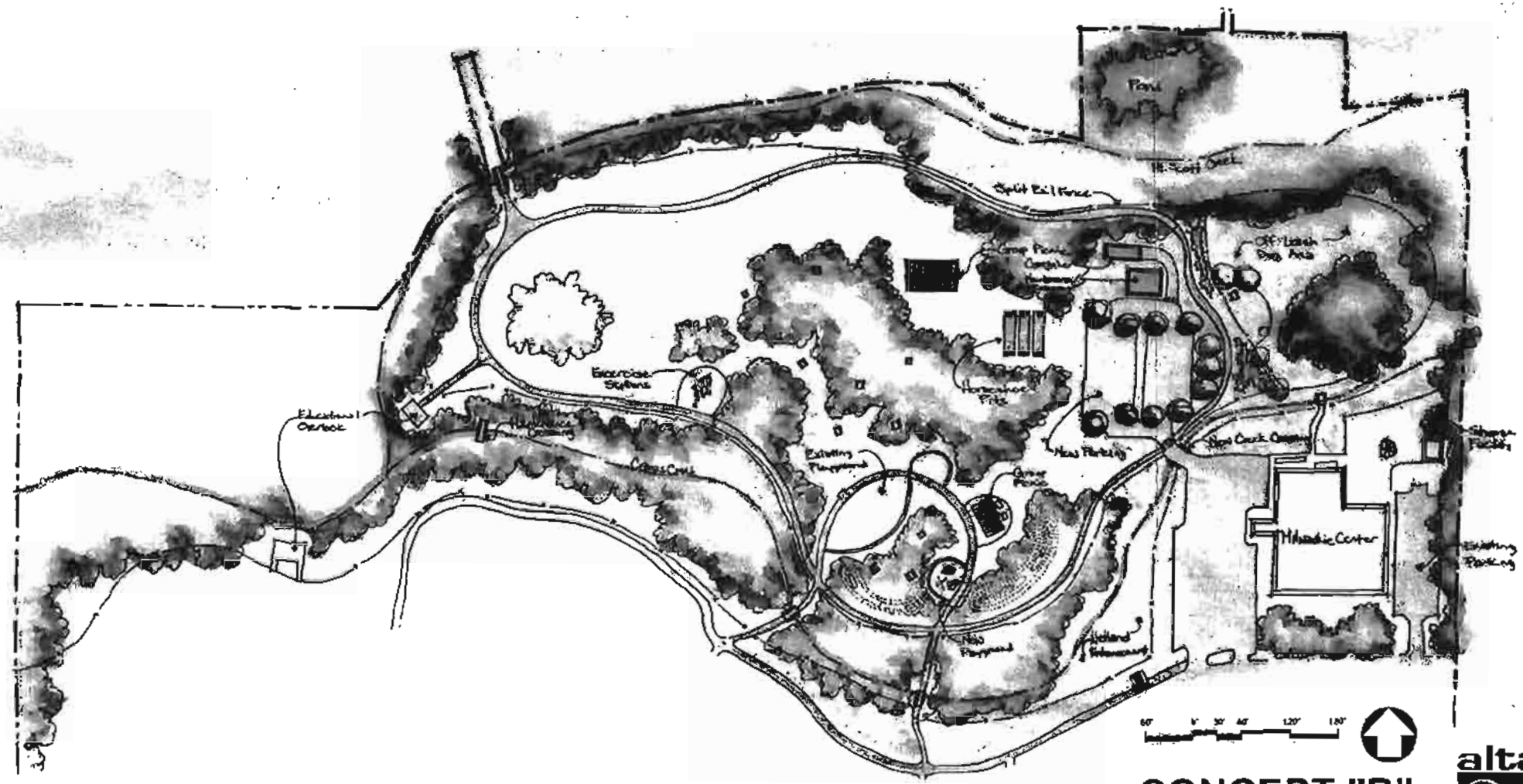

CONCEPT "B"

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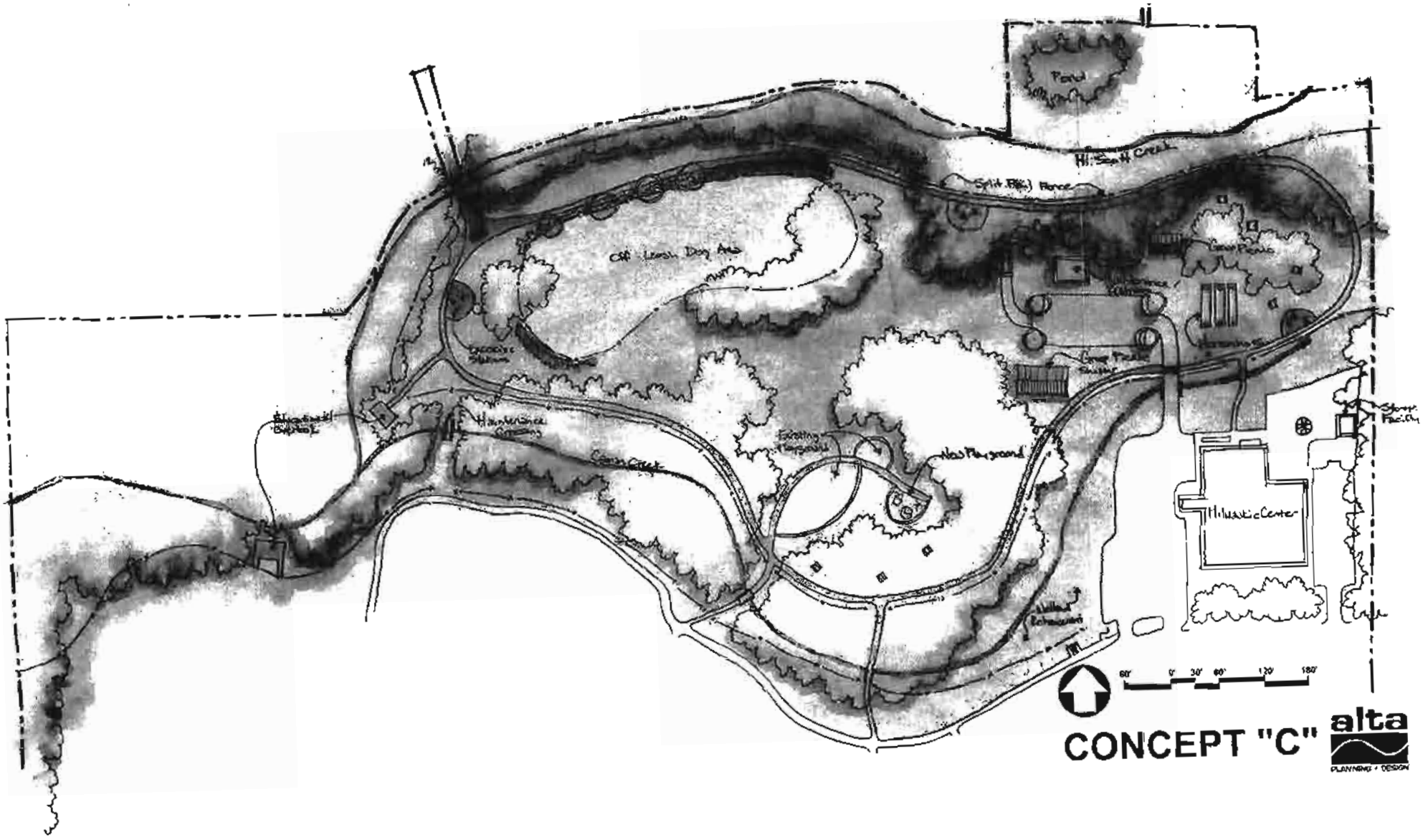

CONCEPT "C"

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North Side Planning

Comments on Preliminary Concept Plans

Sources:

- District Advisory Board
- North Clackamas Park Stewardship Committee
- Comment cards returned by community
- Comments from staff
- Phone calls from community
- E-mails from community
- Web site: www.clackamas.us/ncprd
- Letters from community

- Just reviewed the three concepts and my wife and I are very much in favor of concept B. That looks like a very environmentally friendly park.
- Personally, if I had a vote, it would be for Concept "C". More play area in a "park" just seems to be most natural.
- Thank you for the opportunity to review these. Everything that's shown in the three concepts appears to be doable. At this conceptual stage, however, that doesn't mean very much since a lot will depend upon the details. With that said, we offer the following comments for NCPRD consideration.
    - Parks are not listed on our Zoning Code's parking table. Consequently, the addition or removal of parking spaces will need to be supported by traffic/parking analysis similar to what was done for the south side of the park.
    - Delineation of the wetland area around Camas Creek may require modifications to the extent/location of the proposed new parking lot and dog park area in Concept B.
    - New creek crossings (and even some of the existing ones) will be carefully scrutinized and may require Army Corps approval.
- I was interested to see what the consultants came up with, and I think they have some good ideas. The following are some of my thoughts.
    - Of course, I would prefer to see the off leash dog area eliminated, but since that won't happen until another place is found, I prefer the idea "B" where the area is moved to the NE corner of the park. If the NE corner doesn't work, then having the dog area moved to the east up against the maintenance yard area with the west fence moved to the east a corresponding distance. This would put the dog area closer to parking and restrooms.
    - We don't like to see more parking area added, but expanding the lot in front of the Milwaukie Center would probably be preferable than crossing Camas Creek and taking out the large group picnic shelter.
    - Could some of the Handicapped parking spaces be designated so they could be used for non-handicapped parking when the Milwaukie Center is closed?
    - Be sure to get signage up for excess parking at the church.
    - If the exercise stations are to be part of the plan, we would like to see three or four grouped together at several spots on the loop trail.

- We like the idea of a climbing structure placed in the vicinity of the playground. The pyramid shaped cable structure in front of the Waldorf School in Milwaukie seems to get a lot of use.
- Keep the picnic areas under the trees to the east and leave the west area for open space. I like the idea of a wild flower or grass meadow.
- The consultants need to provide more information about the type of meadows that could be installed and give us an idea on how they are maintained. This should bring good wildlife habitat to the park for insects, butterflies, small mammals and birds.
- I like the concept of restoring the wetland area behind the "Wetland Window" sculpture. That area is cut off from the rest of the Park and that would be a good use for it. Be sure the walkway on the West side of the parking at the center gets into the plan.
- Could the firewood space be moved over to the area where the maintenance facility will be and the area it now occupies behind the Milwaukie Center be used for secure bus parking or additional community garden space?
- Were the consultants going to provide some suggestions on wetland education sign content and placement?
- On another subject, signs have now been posted on the access road south of the ball diamonds to the affect that there is no entry except for authorized vehicles only. A similar sign should be posted at the chain between the picnic shelter and the rest rooms.

- I like concept B because it keeps the dogs separate from the kids and picnic areas.
- Concept B is great because of the additional parking it provides.
- I like having the picnic areas by the playground, like concept B shows.
- I don't like the amount of fencing all over the park. It will require lots of maintenance, and I would rather see native vegetation used to discourage people from entering the buffer zone.
- I like the creek crossing to the northeast corner of the park and the enhancement behind the Milwaukie Center shown in concept B.
- I like having the dog park behind the Milwaukie Center because it is farther away from neighbors and has more trees to buffer sound (concept B). It also opens up the west side of the park.

- Do the exercise stations actually get used?
- The Milwaukie Center's walking program, which has been very successful, could add the exercise stations to their program.
- I like concept B.
- I like moving the dog run to a separate area near parking. This minimizes having dogs run through the other areas of the park off-leash on their way to the dog run.
- I like having more parking.
- I like the ideas of having wildflowers and a meadow on the west end of the park.
- Concept A is great.
- I don't like the exercise stations – they don't get used.
- Get rid of one of the three bridges. I like the maintenance bridge shown, as well as the bridge connecting to the playground area. That is enough bridges.
- Would like to see even more of the small covered picnic areas included.
- I like the safer parking area on concept B.
- I like concept B, but I don't like the placement of the dog run.
- The dog run in concept B cuts trail length (need off-pavement running area). It cuts trail length by 20%. Spread out exercise trails. Option A cuts parking – a mistake.
- I like having the dog run behind the Center.
- Keep the parking in concept B.
- Need another Camas Creek crossing – 2 small and one large, running from Milwaukie Center parking lot.
- Looks like parking on concepts is straight. We need to keep angled parking as it's easier for the senior drivers that visit the center.
- I like plan B, but with exercise stations distributed like in plan A.
- Having the dog run close to the parking lot is great, and it keeps dogs in one area instead of having them run across the people's recreation area to get to the dog run.
- I like the enhancement of the area between the Milwaukie Center and Camas Creek.
- Keep trail loop large by looping around the area north of the center.

- I like concept B, but with the off-leash area in concept A. The off-leash area in B can be replaced with the picnic shelter and horseshoe pits.
- Remove bridge crossing just north of the Milwaukie Center.
- I like concept B, but there should be even more parking, and smaller picnic shelters.
- Only B has enough additional parking. If you improve the park, more people will come. Needs 1 larges and at least 2 small group picnic shelters for renting, as well as parking for buses at the Milwaukie Center. I also prefer the dog run where it is on concept C, and the exercise stations more spread out.
- Pathway from Milwaukie Center to north side of park should be eliminated.
- I like both A and C concept plans.
- I prefer concept B, and particularly like the location of the off-leash dog area in this concept.
- I like concept B the best because of the added parking. I would also like to see a water feature for kids and maybe easier access to picnic areas from the parking area.
- I prefer concept B because it makes the most sense. There is allowance for additional parking. Would also like more faucets for picnic or other uses.
- Here are my thoughts:
    - I am excited about a walking path around the north side of the park with exercise stations. I think the idea of 3 exercise stations (a kiosk) per "stop" (where there is a bench also?) would be more beneficial than a solo exercise station or than a large group of exercise stations.
    - I don't like part of the path configuration in Concept B because it walks between a dog run and a parking lot (ugh).
    - Delete the path crossing the swale immediately to the north of Milwaukie Center.
    - The path on the West side needs to be shown to connect with the South side path – it currently doesn't in any of the concepts, and is widely used.
    - Immediately outside the Camas and Dogwood Rooms, north of Milwaukie Center, there is a small open area that is basically weeds which are mowed by Parks maintenance. There is no irrigation or other amenities. It would be nice if the north side planning included

improvements to that area which move into wetland swale plantings of "Camas Creek".

- I really like the idea of the dog run moved a little to the east of where it is now as in Concept but not immediately due north of Milwaukie Center. That is problematic for folks choosing to park in the staff and MOW parking lot to let their dogs out to get to the off-leash area. Also that shortens the walking path so much and makes it less aesthetically pleasing.
- Picnickers like having a sand volleyball court here – is that going to be placed somewhere?
- I really like the parking improvements in concept B and hope the new parking area will be designated one-way with angled-in parking.
- Master Gardeners would like to have a green house near to the Milwaukie Center and I support that concept however I do not want it to take over any of the existing community garden or the open "grass" area outside the Camas and Dogwood Rooms. That open area is used for receptions when the Camas and Dogwood Rooms are rented. Perhaps a greenhouse can go where "big green" storage container is now but where would storage go then?
- Please keep the Emergency Firewood service where it is.
- Group picnic areas – perhaps retain the large A Frame as the one big one and erect two or three smaller ones for 20-30 people picnics. I like the idea of having e closer to the kids play area.
- YES! Add natural climbing "rocks" to the play area!!!!
- Bus parking that is "secure"? (four busses)

Public Meeting #3
October 24, 2007

Invitation
Agenda
Concepts
Survey

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6 pm
Wednesday, October 24th

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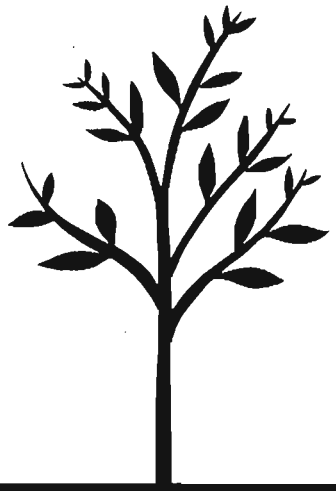

NORTH CLACKAMAS PARK
NORTH SIDE PLANNING MEETING

WELCOME!

October 24

6-8 pm

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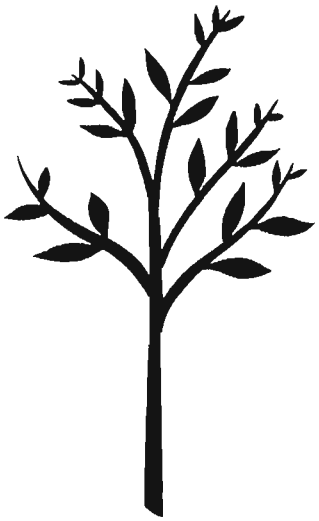


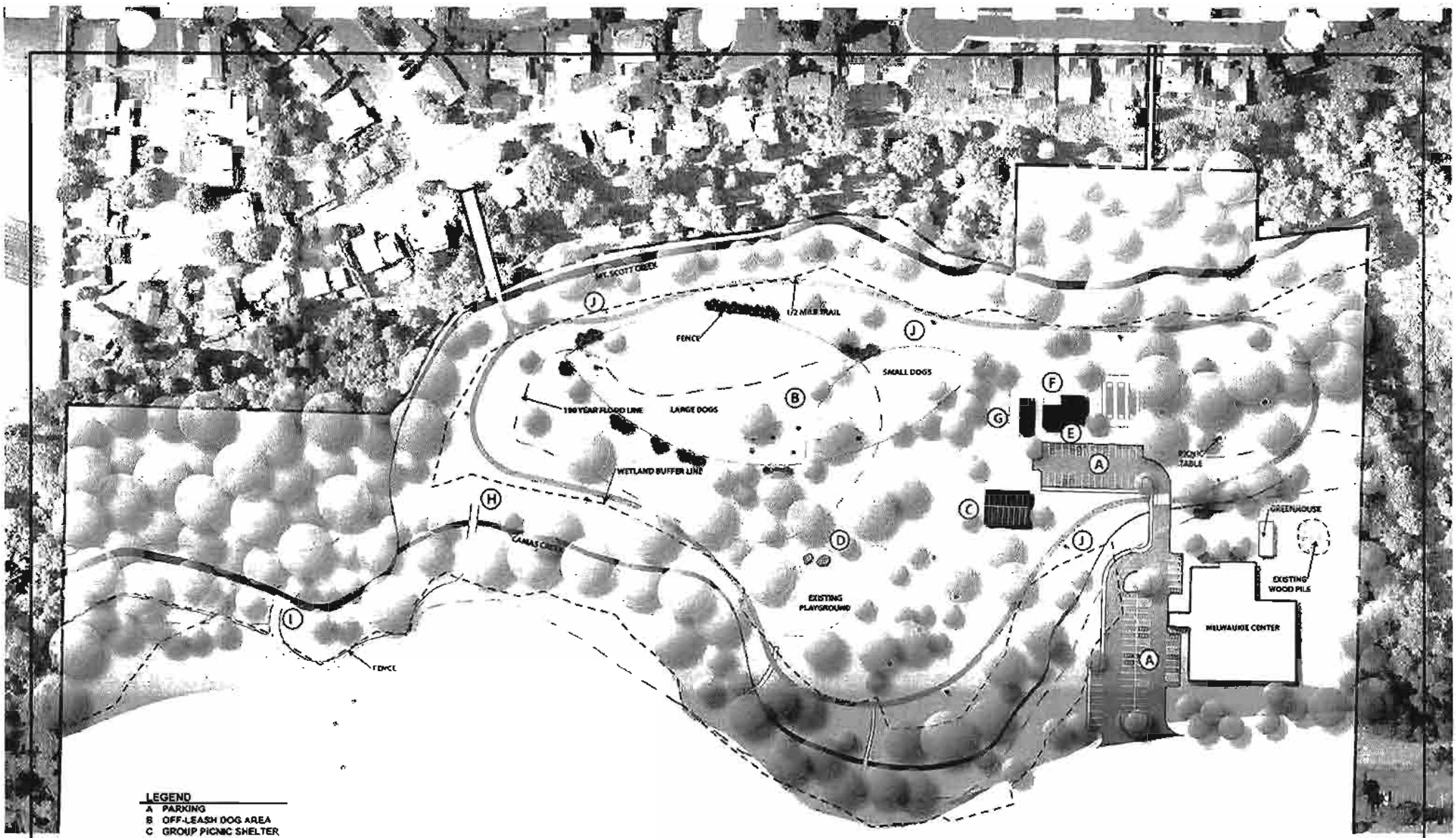
NORTH CLACKAMAS PARK

North Side Planning
OPEN HOUSE

Milwaukie Center
Wednesday, October 24, 2007
6 to 8 pm

AGENDA

6:00 - 6:15	**Sign in, view maps and collected comments**
6:15 - 6:25	**Welcome and Summary of Public Comment** North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District
6:25 - 6:45	**Presentation of Hybrid Concept** Alta Planning + Design
6:45 - 7:00	**Natural Resources Planning** Pacific Habitat Services
7:00 - 7:30	**Interpretive Program**
7:30 - 7:45	**Question and Answer**
7:45 - 8:00	**Next Steps**



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North Clackamas Community Park
Concept A

alta PLANNING + DESIGN
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Portland, OR 97232
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Concept A Summary

Parking (A)

The Milwaukie Center parking lot is reconfigured to accommodate sixty-three (63) spaces and a new paved parking lot accommodates thirty (30) spaces north of Camas Creek for a total of ninety-three (93) new spaces. New paving is limited to 11,290 square feet and paving in the existing Milwaukie Center parking lot that currently is within the 50 buffer of Camas Creek is removed. A new bridge crosses Camas Creek north-south east of the existing culvert.

Off-Leash Dog Area (B)

The proposed off-leash dog area is the same approximate size and in the same approximate location as the existing location. The off-leash area is divided to allow a separation between small and large dogs. A paved entry plaza provides room for picnic tables, water fountains, waste bag station, and signage. The shape of the dog park matches the existing layout of the playground.

Picnic Shelter (C)

Space for a new picnic shelter (or re-use of the existing shelter) is shown in the same location as the existing shelter.

Playground (D)

An additional area is provided north of the existing playground for climbing boulders.

Restrooms/Maintenance/Caretaker (E, F, G)

A new restroom is north of the parking along with a storage and maintenance facility. Space for a seasonal caretaker is located northwest of the parking.

Camas Creek Crossings (H)

The existing crossing in the southwest corner of the park is removed and restored to a natural condition. A new bridge suitable for maintenance vehicles is proposed about one hundred (100) feet east of the former crossing. The easternmost pedestrian bridge is removed and the two middle crossings remain.

Creek Restoration & Wildlife

A seventy foot (70') buffer is provided to the south of Mt. Scott Creek to add shade trees and maintain ideal water temperature for fish. Within the buffer, invasive species would be removed and native riparian plants would be added.

One educational overlook (I) of Mt. Scott Creek is proposed. Areas north of Mt. Scott Creek will be dedicated to wildlife.

Walking Path

Eleven (11) exercise stations (J)are spaced at equal intervals around a half-mile unpaved walking path.

Horseshoes (K)

Upgraded horseshoe pits are located in the northeast part of the park.

Fencing

Fencing the buffer areas is limited to only areas where the bank is most degraded from users entering the creek. Remaining buffers will be enhanced and signage will encourage park users to respect the buffers.

LEGEND
- A PARKING
- B OFF-LEASH DOG AREA
- C GROUP PICNIC SHELTER
- D NEW PLAYGROUND NODE
- E RESTROOM
- F MAINTENANCE / STORAGE
- G CARETAKER
- H CAMAS CREEK CROSSING
- I EDUCATIONAL OVERLOOK
- J EXERCISE STATIONS
- K HORSESHOE PITS

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North Clackamas Community Park
Concept B

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Concept B Summary

Parking (A)

The Milwaukie Center parking lot remains as is, accommodating 42 vehicles. A new 19,690 square foot parking lot accommodates forty (40) vehicles north of Camas Creek. A new bridge replaces the existing crushed culvert over Camas Creek.

Off Leash Dog Area (B)

The proposed off-leash dog area is about the same size as the existing area but located east. The concept shows the area divided between large and small dogs. Paved entry areas are located on the southeast and west sides with picnic table, water for dogs and their owners, and a waste bag station with signage indicating rules of use. This area will be fenced with chain link or split rail fence with an infill mesh. The perimeter will include low vegetation to visually divide the facility from the rest of the park.

Picnic Shelters (C)

One new picnic shelter, two-thirds (2/3) the size of the existing shelter, is shown east of the new parking lot. An additional shelter, one-third (1/3) the size of the existing shelter, is near the existing playground.

Playground (D)

An additional area is provided east of the existing playground for climbing boulders and the sidewalk is extended to intersect the walking trail.

Restrooms/Maintenance/Caretaker (E, F, G)

A new restroom is west of the parking lot. Space for a caretaker is located just east of the off-leash dog area. Storage and Maintenance facilities are located on the far eastern end of the park and are accessed from the parking lot east of the Milwaukie Center.

Camas Creek Crossings (H)

The existing crossing in the southwest corner of the park is removed and restored to a natural condition. A new bridge suitable for maintenance vehicles is proposed about one hundred (100) feet east of the former crossing. The easternmost pedestrian bridge is removed and the two middle crossings remain.

Creek Restoration & Wildlife

A seventy foot (70') buffer is provided to the south of Mt. Scott Creek to add shade trees and maintain ideal water temperature for fish. Within the buffer, invasive species would be removed and native riparian plants would be added.

Two educational overlooks (I) of Mt. Scott Creek is proposed. Areas north of Mt. Scott Creek will be dedicated to wildlife.

Walking Path

Eleven (11) exercise stations (J) are grouped in threes and spaced equally around the trail.

Horseshoes (K)

Upgraded horseshoe pits are centrally located just west of the new parking lot.

Fencing

The entire buffer is fenced to prevent access and to prevent further degradation of the buffer.

Survey conducted at North Clackamas Park

NORTH CLACKAMAS PARK
North Side Planning Concepts Survey

Operations and Maintenance

1. **Caretaker Location**

   ☐ Concept A ☐ Concept B

2. **Maintenance Facility Location**

   ☐ Concept A ☐ Concept B

3. **Restrooms**

   ☐ Concept A ☐ Concept B

4. **Fences**

   ☐ Concept A (Some unfenced areas with plants used to buffer between park space and creeks)

   ☐ Concept B (Fence entire buffer area)

5. **Parking Location**

   ☐ Concept A ☐ Concept B

6. **Parking Spaces (New Spaces Only)**

   ☐ Concept A (Single row of new paved and striped parking)

   ☐ Concept B (Double rows with drop-off loop)

   ☐ Don't add new spaces

Dogs

7. **Dog Park Location**

   ☐ Concept A (same location as current facility)

   ☐ Concept B (central; existing Caretaker location)

8. **Dog Park Shape**

   ☐ Concept A ☐ Concept B

9. **Dog Park Division**

   ☐ Yes, divide the area for small and large dogs

   ☐ No, don't divide the area; keep one large area

Recreation

10. **Playground**

    ☐ Concept A (Add a new "bubble" w/ climbing type equipment)

    ☐ Concept B (Finish the loop; add climbing equipment and picnic shelter)

    ☐ Don't change the playground

11. Group Picnic Shelters

☐ Concept A (1 facility; square footage and general location remain unchanged from the existing facility)

☐ Concept B (2 facilities; smaller facility near the playground and larger facility north of the Milwaukie Center)

12. Educational Creek Overlooks

☐ Concept A (1 overlook)

☐ Concept B (2 overlooks)

☐ Don't add creek overlooks

13. Exercise Stations

☐ Concept A (Individual stations spaced evenly around the walking path)

☐ Concept B (Stations in groups of threes around the walking path)

☐ Don't add any exercise stations to the north side of the park

14. Horseshoes

☐ Concept A (Located in the picnic area north of the Milwaukie Center)

☐ Concept B (Centrally located)

15. Walking Path

☐ Paved Surface (asphalt)

☐ Soft Surface (wood chips, crushed gravel)

16. Master Gardeners' Greenhouse

☐ Yes, I'd like to see this included in the plan

☐ No, I don't think this should be part of the plan

Additional Comments

WE APPRECIATE YOUR INPUT!

Concepts are available for viewing on the Web at www.altaplanning.com/ncp. **Surveys must be received by October 1, 2007!** Completed surveys may be returned to the Milwaukie Center, Aquatic Park, Sunnybrook Service Center or any other District facility. You may also mail them to: NCPRD, Attn: Michelle Healy, 9101 SE Sunnybrook Blvd, Clackamas, OR 97015.

NORTH CLACKAMAS PARK
Una Encuesta del Plan del Parte Norte

Funcionamientos y Mantenimientos

1. **Sitio de Portero**

   ☐ Concepto A ☐ Concepto B

2. **Lugar de la Facilidad de Mantenimiento**

   ☐ Concepto A ☐ Concepto B

3. **Baños Públicos**

   ☐ Concepto A ☐ Concepto B

4. **Vallas**

   ☐ Concepto A (Unos lugares (sin vallas) con plantas para estar la zona de transición entre del espacio del parque y el agua)

   ☐ Concepto B (Poner una valla alrededor de la zona de transición)

5. **Lugar de Estacionar**

   ☐ Concepto A ☐ Concepto B

6. **Sitios Para Estacionar (Sitios Nuevos Solamente)**

   ☐ Concepto A (Una fila de pavimentado estacionamiento)

   ☐ Concepto B (Dos filas de estacionamiento con una declinar gradualmente curva

   ☐ No ponga sitios nuevos

Los Perros

7. **Sitio del Parque para Perros**

   ☐ Concepto A (Igual que el sitio existente)

   ☐ Concepto B (En un posición central; existente sitio de portero)

8. **La Forma del Parque para Perros**

   ☐ Concepto A ☐ Concepto B

9. **El División del Parque para Perros**

   ☐ Sí, divida el lugar para perros pequeños y perros grandes

   ☐ No divida la área, deje la área grande

Recreo

10. **Patio de Recreo**

    ☐ Concepto A (Ponga un "globo" nuevo con equipo de trepar)

    ☐ Concepto B (Terminar la curva; poner equipo de trepar y estructura para picnic)

    ☐ No cambie el patio de recreo

11. Estructuras para Picnic en Grupo

☐ Concepto A (1 facilidad; La misma medida de pie cuadrado de la superficie en el sitio general de la existente facilidad)

☐ Concepto B (2 facilidades; La mas pequeña facilidad cerca del sitio de recreo, y la mas grande facilidad estará norte del Center de Milwaukie)

12. Puntos de Vistas Educativas de Riachuelos

☐ Concepto A (1 punto de vista)

☐ Concepto B (2 puntos de vistas)

☐ No ponga riachuelos puntos de vistas

13. Sitios para Ejercicios

☐ Concepto A (individuales secciones separadas igualmente alrededor del camino)

☐ Concepto B (Secciones en grupos de tres alrededor del camino)

☐ No ponga cualquier sitio de ejercicios en la parte norte del camino

14. Herraduras

☐ Concepto A (En el lugar de picnic norte del Center de Milwaukie)

☐ Concepto B (En un lugar central)

15. El Paseo

☐ Paseo pavimentado (asfalto)

☐ Superficie suave (astillas de madera, grava machacada)

16. El Invernadero del Principal Jardinero

☐ Sí, me gustaría incluir este en el plan

☐ No, no creo que este deba estar incluido en el plan

¿Comentarios Adicionales?

¡AGRADEZCAMOS SU AYUDA!

Pueden ver los conceptos en www.altaplanning.com/ncp. ¡Los encuestas necesitan sean recibidas para Octubre 1, 2007! También pueden devolverlos en el Center de Milwaukie, Aquatic Park, Sunnybrook Service Center, o cualquier otra facilidad del Condado de Clackamas. Pueden enviarlos a: NCPRD Attn. Michelle Healy, 9101 SE Sunnybrook Blvd., Clackamas, OR 97015.

Park Neighbors' Survey

NORTH CLACKAMAS PARK
NORTH SIDE PLANNING PROCESS

9101 SE SUNNYBROOK BLVD
CLACKAMAS, OR 97015

Greetings!

As you know, the North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District is planning some improvements for the north side of North Clackamas Park. We would like to get your input on the draft concept plans we've developed. Please look over the enclosed concept plans, fill out the survey and return it to us by **October 1, 2007**.

Completed surveys may be returned to the Milwaukie Center, Aquatic Park, Sunnybrook Service Center or any other District facility. You may also return your survey to us by mail simply by folding it up so that our address is to the outside and taping it closed. Don't forget to use a postage stamp!

Concept plans are also available for viewing on the Web at www.altaplanning.com/ncp.

'ANK YOU!

North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District

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ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

WE APPRECIATE YOUR INPUT!

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NORTH CLACKAMAS PARKS AND RECREATION DISTRICT
ATTN: MICHELLE HEALY
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CLACKAMAS, OR 97015

NORTH CLACKAMAS PARK

North Side Planning Concepts Survey

OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

1. Caretaker Location

☐ Concept A ☐ Concept B

2. Maintenance Facility Location

☐ Concept A ☐ Concept B

3. Restrooms

☐ Concept A ☐ Concept B

4. Fences

☐ Concept A (Some unfenced areas with plants used to buffer between park space and creeks)
☐ Concept B (Fence entire buffer area)

5. Parking Location

☐ Concept A ☐ Concept B

6. Parking (Added spaces)

☐ Concept A (Single row of new paved and striped parking)
☐ Concept B (Double rows with drop-off loop)
☐ Don't add new spaces

DOGS

7. Dog Park Location

☐ Concept A (same location as current facility)
☐ Concept B (central; existing Caretaker location)

8. Dog Park Shape

☐ Concept A ☐ Concept B

9. Dog Park Division

☐ Yes, divide the area for small and large dogs
☐ No, don't divide the area - have one large area

RECREATION

10. Playground

☐ Concept A (Add a new section with climbing rocks or equipment)
☐ Concept B (Finish the loop; add climbing equipment and picnic shelter)
☐ Don't change the playground

11. Group Picnic Shelters

☐ Concept A (1 facility; square footage and general location remain unchanged from the existing facility)
☐ Concept B (2 facilities; smaller facility near the playground and larger facility north of the Milwaukie Center)

12. Educational Creek Overlooks

☐ Concept A (1 overlook)
☐ Concept B (2 overlooks)
☐ Don't add creek overlooks

13. Exercise Stations

☐ Concept A (Individual stations spaced evenly around the walking path)
☐ Concept B (Stations in groups of threes around the walking path)
☐ Don't add any exercise stations to the north side of the park

14. Horseshoes

☐ Concept A (Located in the picnic area north of the Milwaukie Center)
☐ Concept B (Centrally located)

15. Walking Path

☐ Paved Surface (asphalt)
☐ Soft Surface (wood chips, crushed gravel)

16. Master Gardeners Greenhouse

☐ Yes, I'd like to see this included in the plan
☐ No, I don't think this should be part of the plan

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Survey Results

NCP North Side Planning Survey Results as of October 3, 2007

Generally, concept B is preferred over concept A. Exceptions include the smaller amount of fencing and the parking location in concept A. Respondents voted to divide the dog park, pave the walking paths and include the Master Gardener's greenhouse.

The results of the survey are generally consistent with the comments received on the concepts.

Details on specific elements:

1. **Caretaker Location:** The preferred location for the caretaker's facility is further east, just past the dog park
2. **Maintenance Facility Location:** More than half of the received surveys prefer the new maintenance facility to be on the far eastern end of the park, with a road leading from the parking lot behind the Milwaukie Center, instead of having it near the restrooms and caretaker.
3. **Restrooms:** Most people prefer the restrooms to be west of the new parking area instead of to the north.
4. **Fences:** Twice as many prefer fencing of the buffer areas only on the southwest edge of the Mt. Scott Creek buffer where creek bank is most eroded, vs. fencing of all buffer areas.
5. **Parking Location:** Nearly twice as many prefer the parking location in concept A over concept B's parking location.
6. **Parking Spaces:** Results are nearly equal for the added parking in both concepts, with 12% of voters asking for no new spaces to be added.
7. **Dog Park Location:** Approximately twice as many voters favored the concept B location (further east than current location) for the dog park. Only 4% (3 people) asked for the dog park to be removed.
8. **Dog Park Shape:** Results are nearly equal as to the shape of the dog park.
9. **Dog Park Division:** About twice as many responses were received in favor of dividing the dog park.
10. **Playground:** Most votes received were in favor of adding the boulder climbing area, picnic shelter and extended walkway across Camas Creek in concept B, rather than only the boulder climbing area in concept A.
11. **Group Picnic Shelters:** Most respondents prefer concept B, with two picnic shelters, over the one picnic shelter (similar to current size and location) in concept A.
12. **Educational Creek Overlooks:** A majority of respondents prefer two overlooks rather than one.
13. **Exercise Stations:** More respondents preferred clusters of exercise stations over spacing stations individually at intervals along the path.

14. **Horseshoes:** Results are nearly equal on the location of the horseshoes.
15. **Walking Paths:** More people prefer a paved path rather than a soft surface path.
16. **Master Gardeners' Greenhouse:** Twice as many votes are in favor of including the greenhouse.

Additional Notes:

1. **Maintenance Facility Location:** Please address the issue raised by Eric Shawn and Susan Shanks (City of Milwaukie) about the maintenance shed in concept B (which was preferred) being in a wetland. We have the same wetland delineation as the City of Milwaukie, so this is probably a misunderstanding based on the fact that the draft concepts were illustrative.
2. **Group Picnic Shelters:** Please add 3 additional small picnic shelters (1-2 tables) scattered throughout the park (in possible locations). This was a comment we got multiple times.
3. **Fencing:** Make the fencing easier to see on the hybrid concept plan.
4. **Southside:** Please add the south side of the park showing the ball fields, trails, and how these things fit together with the north side concept plan.
5. **Walking Paths:** Make a connecting path from the bridge (H) to the trail. Also, try to keep paving out of the buffer area (shown by the added parking lot in concept B).
6. **Buffer:** Remove extra buffer line (closer to the creek) on west end, since we'll be using the wetland buffer that's further out from the creek.
7. **Parking:** Due to the needs of the Milwaukie Center, the existing parking spaces directly in front of it will need to remain angled.
8. **Interpretive Signage:** Please show points of interest on the concept plan where there might be opportunities to place interpretive signage. Maybe John van Staveren has some ideas of what might be of interest in the park from what he's observed so far. This would go along with our preliminary agenda (below).

North Side Planning Concepts Survey Results

Operations and Maintenance

1. Caretaker Location

			Result
Concept A	32	38%	B
Concept B	42	50%	
No Response	10	12%	

2. Maintenance Facility Location

Concept A	25	30%	B
Concept B	51	61%	
No Response	8	10%	

3. Restrooms

Concept A	27	32%	B
Concept B	45	54%	
No Response	12	14%	

4. Fences

Concept A	50	60%	A
Concept B	25	30%	
No Response	9	11%	

5. Parking Location

Concept A	43	51%	A
Concept B	31	37%	
No Response	10	12%	

6. Parking Spaces (New Spaces Only)

Concept A	32	38%	B
Concept B	38	45%	
Don't add new spaces	10	12%	
No Response	4	5%	

Dogs

7. Dog Park Location

Concept A	26	31%	B
Concept B	50	60%	
No Response	8	10%	

8. Dog Park Shape

Concept A	34	40%	B
Concept B	42	50%	
No Response	8	10%	

9. Dog Park Division

Yes, divide the area for small and large dogs	49	58%	Yes, divide
No, don't divide the area; keep one large area	25	30%	
No Response	10	12%	

Recreation

10. Playground

Concept A	24	29%	B
Concept B	43	51%	
Don't change the playground	14	17%	
No Response	3	4%	

11. Group Picnic Shelters

Concept A	25	30%	B
Concept B	57	68%	
No Response	2	2%	

12. Educational Creek Overlooks

Concept A	15	18%	B
Concept B	52	62%	
Don't add creek overlooks	12	14%	
No Response	5	6%	

13. Exercise Stations

Concept A	24	29%	B
Concept B	38	45%	
Don't add any exercise stations to the north side of the park	15	18%	
No Response	7	8%	

14. Horseshoes

Concept A	34	40%	B
Concept B	41	49%	
No Response	9	11%	

15. Walking Paths

Paved Surface	46	55%	Paved
Soft Surface	37	44%	
No Response	1	1%	

16. Master Gardeners' Greenhouse

Yes, I'd like to see this included in the plan	50	60%	Yes, include
No, I don't think this should be a part of the plan	24	29%	
No Response	10	12%	

TOTAL number of responses **84**

Open House
December 4, 2007

E-mail Announcement
Invitation
Comments and Resolutions Table
Final Concept Plan

Healy, Michelle

Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 4:01 PM
To: Healy, Michelle
Subject: North Side Planning North Clackamas Park

NORTH CLACKAMAS PARK

North Side Planning

Tell us what you think!

The *proposed*, preferred Concept Plan (a hybrid of two previous concepts) for the north side of North Clackamas Park can be viewed at http://www.altaplanning.com/ncp. This concept is based on numerous public meetings and hundreds of community comments.

Comments on the preferred plan should be sent to Michelle Healy at michellehea@co.clackamas.or.us or mailed to 9101 SE Sunnybrook Blvd., Clackamas, OR 97015. Please submit comments by November 9, 2007.

The *final* Concept Plan and associated report will be presented at a public open house, time and date to be determined. Share this information with anyone who has an interest.

Thank you for your participation.

NORTH CLACKAMAS PARK
NORTH SIDE PLANNING PROCESS

In partnership with the City of Milwaukie

CLACKAMAS COUNTY

Join us for an OPEN HOUSE "sneak peek" at the North Clackamas North Side Plan

5-7 pm

Thursday, Dec. 20

Milwaukie Center

5440 SE Kellogg Creek Drive, Milwaukie, OR 97220

This is an opportunity to take a look at the final plan and the draft report. Staff and the consultants will be available to discuss the documents and answer questions.

Questions?

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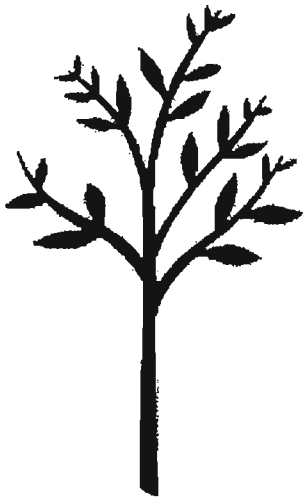
NORTH SIDE PLANNING
"SNEAK PEEK"



WELCOME

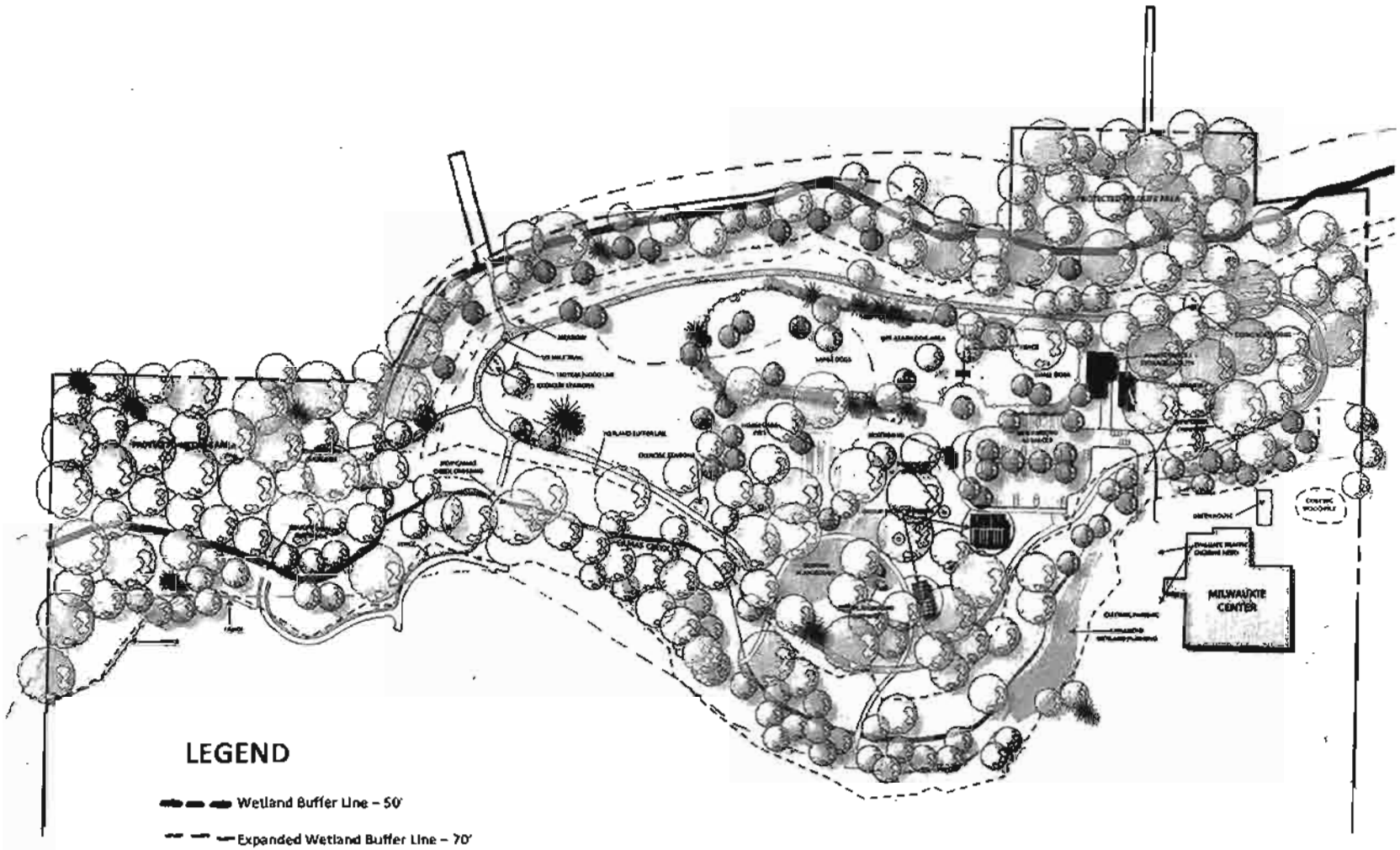
DECEMBER 20, 2007
5-7p.m

December 2007 - North Side Planning
North Clackamas Park
Comments and Resolutions Leading to Final Concept Plan

	Remaining Concerns/Issues on Hybrid Concept	Decision/Resolution in Final Concept Plan
Operations and Maintenance		
Maintenance Facility Location	Questions about wetland buffer and space behind center	Moved next to caretaker location due to wetland buffer and circulation behind the Center
Fences	Use plants as deterrent rather than additional fences in most areas	Some fences included in plan, District will access the need to add more in selective areas if necessary
Park Fences	Concerns about security vs. wildlife migration patterns	Repairs will be made as necessary
Driveway to new parking lot	Speed of vehicles entering new lot through Milwaukie Center	At request of CCAB, shifted driveway back to existing crossing to create skew and slow traffic, look at needs for additional traffic calming during design
Dogs		
Dog Park	Concerns about on-going noise issues	Keep dog park, but move further east and out of creek buffer; buffer run with plants. Size remains the same. Look for additional dog parks elsewhere.
Recreation		
Educational Creek Overlooks	Desire to limit access to creek to encourage restoration of banks but still also allow access to creek	Overlooks provide views but limits pedestrian and dog access, encourage restoration of banks through natural area restoration projects working with the community
Walking Paths	Gravel may be hard for people w/walkers However, concerns about impervious surfaces	Paved - survey results indicated preference for paved surface, Milwaukie Center patrons need paved surface for safe walking
Master Gardeners' Greenhouse	Some concerns about maintenance responsibilities, location	Working directly with Master Gardeners to determine if feasible
Milwaukie Center Buses	Provide secure parking for buses	Spots provided in new parking lot

North Clackamas Community Park

Conceptual Park Plan



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NORTH CLACKAMAS PARKS AND RECREATION DISTRICT
District Advisory Board
April 12, 2007 – 6 p.m.
North Clackamas Aquatic Park

DAB members present:
Renee King, Chair
Don Trotter, Vice Chair
Mart Hughes
Jerry Foy
Michael Morrow
Molly Hanthorn
Dick Shook
Elton Storment
Kristin Mitchell
Marylee Walden
Ron Keene
Macy Gast, Budget Committee member

Staff members present:
Dan Zinzer, Director
Gary Barth, Deputy Director
Roy Wall, Administrative Services Manager
Pam Girtman, Community Relations Specialist
Michelle Healy, Senior Planner
Joan Young, Milwaukie Center Director
Kandi Ho, Aquatic Park Manager
Jason Kemmerich, Aquatic Supervisor
Jan Wirtz, Recreation Supervisor
Robin Bruce, Administrative Assistant

Citizens: 4

1. Call to Order
Renee King, Chair, called the District Advisory Board meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. Introductions were made.

2. Citizen Participation
None

3. Approval of Minutes from March 8, 2007
Jerry Foy moved that the minutes from the March 8, 2007, DAB meeting be approved as submitted. Dick Shook seconded the motion. APPROVED Michael Morrow, Ron Keene and Marylee Walden abstained because they were not members at that meeting. All others approved.

4. April 21 Grand Opening of the North Clackamas Park Ballfields

Pam Girtman handed out invitations to the grand opening, a press release with District events listed, a copy of *Citizen News* with a four-page insert on parks (went to more than 180,000 households and didn't cost the District anything) and a picture of the field "tattoo" (of the logo for the fields). Girtman said an aerial photo of North Clackamas Park and other pictures of the fields on that day will be taken. The art sculpture has been installed, and the artist will be interviewed on Oregon Public Broadcast's Art Beat.

Trotter said the sculpture is striking and draws visitors into the park as a welcoming piece. The art unveiling will be at 11 a.m. on April 21, an hour before the grand opening of the ballfields. The Arts Action Alliance of Clackamas County is in charge of unveiling.

The grand opening will include a jazz band, twin 6-year-old sisters from Happy Valley who will sing and games will being at 1 p.m. Zinzer said Renee King will represent the DAB *(update: Jerry Foy did as Renee was unable to attend).* There will be reserved parking spaces for speakers. There will also be shuttle buses to transport visitors to the church parking lot.

On April 22, there will be Earth Day events presented by the Friends of North Clackamas Park and NCPRD. Visitors can build NCPRD birdhouses, *(thanks, Dick Shook)* and two speakers from the state Department of Fish and Wildlife will speak from 11 a.m. to noon.

5. FY 2007/08 Budget

Zinzer said the budget workshop meeting has been held and next year's budget presented. Wall presented the decision package for a natural resources coordinator. He said the cost is more in the first year because of non-recurring charges. Wall said possible decision options for the DAB are: 1) Do not fund this position, 2) do not fund the position, but use the expertise of the Forester and other staff to meet this need, 3) fund the position on a contingency in the General Fund and the Fixed Asset Fund, 4) do not fund the position, and strategically use a consultant, or 5) fund the position by removing other expenditures.

Wall said the budget includes the following changes in personnel: 1) the addition of a planner, 2) make the graphics/publication position a regular position rather than temporary, and 3) add clerical help. Other changes to the budget include: 1) Year 1 of the CIP (includes North Clackamas Park north side, Three Creeks master plan, design of Trolley Trail, planning for two small trails, Stringfield Park), 2) funding Milwaukie Center improvements, 3) add a climbing wall at the Aquatic Park, and 5) the Parks Maintenance budget includes additional work in Milwaukie parks. The Fund Balance would be $1.7, if the decision package is funded.

Wall said the DAB's tasks are to discuss the decision package and decide if it will be recommended as part of the budget. The second task is to recommend the budget to the Budget Committee.

Zinzer said the proposal to spend $250,000 for a shared all-weather turf field at Clackamas High School has been withdrawn by the school district. The District will work with Happy Valley to find another site for this field.

Michelle Healy presented a draft job description for the Natural Resources Coordinator. She researched other similar positions at other parks districts and drafted a job description from that information. Healy suggested hiring a temporary person immediately until a regular position could be put in place.

Hughes said he had an opportunity to review the job description and it looked good to him. He said it is a large job for one person. Hughes questioned the percentage of time this position would spend in the field. Healy said she felt the same way and said this can be changed. Hughes said working with volunteers in the field should be a priority. He also said the job description is independent of the decision package and could continue to be worked on after a decision is made for the budget.

Foy said he was concerned about the amount this position will cost and questions that this person would need a new vehicle. Healy explained that there are no extra vehicles for this person to use.

Storment said the District should start off with a part-time person and then review. He said the cost comes out to $400 an acre for this person, and thinks this is too much to pay. Zinzer said the intention is to start with a temporary person with no benefits.

Shook noted that the decision package says this position is for both the District and County Parks and asked if some of the funding would come from County Parks. Zinzer said the best way to do this is to put a position in the District's budget and part would be paid by County Parks, but the percentage has not been determined.

Shook asked how many people Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation District, which has been in place for more than 50 years, employs for natural areas. Healy said they have a department and many more acres of natural areas in their district. Shook said many of the District's parks have natural areas in them and would come under this position.

Mitchell said the cost of a vehicle would be amortized over many years, so the expense would be spread out. She then asked about the $15,000 for consulting services. Healy said that for what the District can afford to pay, she doesn't think we will be able to find a person with all of the expertise needed in one person, so professional consultants will still be needed. Shook also said that this person could work with the Forester sometimes.

Foy said he sees this position being filled by someone like Mart Hughes, who is a botanist for the City of Portland's parks, and let them draw up the criteria for the position with some help. King said using consultants is an operational decision and should be left to staff to work out. Foy said he doesn't want to pay that amount for this position. Healy said that if consultants are not used, the District will be paying a higher salary to get the expertise.

Hughes said six years ago Portland Parks, which manages 7,000 acres, figured that as a base the cost of maintaining those acres was $750 an acre, for staff, management and equipment. He said that in his experience, $400 an acre for the District is an inadequate amount of money. If restoration is done the cost could be $10,000 an acre. Hughes said he was happy to see the budgeted amount of money because it is a start, will be enough to quantify the needs, and it will bring issues to the board. Whether this grows the program, is yet to be seen. Hughes said this position needs a truck and tools to do the job.

Trotter said he sees the money as a placeholder. The District hasn't developed the position yet. Staff is talking about having a six-month temporary position and then evaluating to see what needs to be done. There is the potential of sharing the costs at least the first year with County Parks. The County's share may be the vehicle. Trotter said the cost is not a lot when it's for the whole County. Zinzer said the educational program this person is going to develop is going be wanted in the County. The inventory will be a Countywide issue and the cost could be cut in half.

Mitchell asked if the District could lease-to-own the vehicle. Wall said Facilities Management evaluates the options and the District does whatever is the most cost effective.

Shook said some duties in natural areas are being done by volunteers without formal coordination of those tasks.

Public Comment:
Susan Shawn lives about two blocks from North Clackamas Park. She said she supports the adding of this position to the District and submitted a letter of support at the last meeting with signatures of supporters. Shawn said she wanted to remind the DAB of the in-home interviews that were done in 2001 as part of master plan process and the results of the survey reflect the District. One of the questions asked what should be developed. Many respondents wanted natural areas and fewer wanted more athletic fields. She said she thinks the general public will be in support of this position and it will be good for the District's public image.

JoAnn Herrigel, staff member at the City of Milwaukie, said she has been working for the City for 12 years, 10 of which were working on parks. During this time, Herrigel worked on four wetland projects. The work is very hard, complicated and is very important, and is not currently being done in the three natural areas in Milwaukie. The City uses volunteers, needs help and looks forward to this position. The Parks Maintenance crews are very good at maintaining lawns and planting beds, but not at planting and preparing natural areas. This position would be valued as any other maintenance crew person. She said it would save a lot of negative interaction for the City, District and others. Herrigel said she really encourages the DAB to recommend this position.

Thelma Haggenmiller said she has heard a concern from the board about people with the expertise needed. She said she knows someone who went through a recruitment for a

person Clackamas River Basin Council. They had a lot of applicants, so there are people qualified to do this job and there is a need for this position.

Foy said he believes the position needs to be filled by a qualified person. He said his objection is to the cost of the position.

Walden asked what the hourly rate is for this position. Members figured that the hourly rate is about $26.50 in salary. Walden said this seems realistic. She also said that $21,000 is the highest amount the District would pay for a vehicle and could possibly pay less or share the cost.

Storment suggested budgeting $60,000, hire a part-time person to develop the criteria for the position and then the District would have a better idea of what this position needs to be. King said this is why the District would fund a temporary person for six months. It gives flexibility to change the position based on needs. Zinzer said that a position could be approved now, the District could use a temporary employee for six months and then the position is allocated if the District goes further.

Trotter said he hasn't heard that anyone thinks we shouldn't do this. The money is a placeholder for the budget.

Trotter moved to accept alternative 2 of decision package #1 for FY 2007-08. Hughes seconded the motion. APPROVED Storment opposed, and all others approved.

Storment moved to recommend the budget as presented. The motion died for lack of a second.

Shook moved to recommend the 2007-08 North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District budget as amended to the District's Budget Committee. Storment seconded the motion. APPROVED unanimously.

6. Amplified Sound Policy

Zinzer presented a revised draft amplified sound policy and an older version with two parts that were left out of the new version. Modifications were made to the polity to make it work for all of North Clackamas Park instead of just the ballfields.

Zinzer said that regular games do not have amplified sound and that there will be a Park Ranger in North Clackamas Park all summer. Amplified sound will be allowed by permit and monitored by staff at the park. If a "boom box" causes complaints, then there will be consequences.

Foy asked how to control picnics and "boom boxes." Zinzer said the burden is on staff to control. There can only be two sources of amplified sound at a time. If four tournament games are going on at same time, only one portable speaker will be moving around between the fields. The caretaker at North Clackamas Park will be replaced with a Ranger.

Healy clarified that the picnic reservation season begins on May 1. It was decided to change the date range to begin on May 1 instead of June 1.

King said she has a concern about only having two sources of amplified sound at a time. If there is a ball game and wedding going on at the same time, the two sources are covered. Young said staff works hard to avoid those conflicts.

Trotter said community events were left off of the list of special events. Amplified sound shall not exceed 65 decibels measured from the perimeter. When there are conflicts, he suggests that the Milwaukie noise ordinance is referred to where there is a section listing sound levels (quantified for a number of minutes). Trotter asked to add this language to the District's policy. Zinzer said the park ranger will have a sound meter.

Hughes said he thinks the application fee of $15 is too low, and urged the DAB to consider a higher fee. The wording in the policy could make reference to the schedule of fees so they can be adjusted independently of the policy. Hughes said his intent is to cover the processing costs, to discourage random noise (parties) but not prohibitive to visitors.

King said she preferred not to say the fees would cover all administrative costs. Storment said he would like the DAB to approve the policy as it is and then if there is a problem later, change it.

Zinzer said the Stewardship Committee is still OK with the policy except that the start time should be noon Sunday for ball games.

Shawn said she agrees to adding language about the number of minutes amplified sound can be used. She said Father Tate at the Church of the Annunciation said to go ahead with the policy and go back to it if there are problems. The times from Labor Day to April 30 is a light issue not a sound issue. Shawn said she would like the times to stay the same.

Haggenmiller said policy setting and fees should not be in the policy but in a separate document.

Foy said policy setting and include the fee in the policy, but in a separate document.

King reviewed what has been discussed so far. She said members talked about changing item #2 from May 1 to Labor Day; to add renting the Rose Garden to the second section; to change May 31 to April 30; to add a bullet for community events; to add language from the City of Milwaukie's sound ordinance; and to take out the amount of the fee but refer to administrative costs in the schedule of fees.

Foy asked about the number of sources and said he would like to eliminate reference to it in the policy. Shook said there was a concern about how more sources may cause a

cumulative amount of noise. Zinzer said staff is trying to coordinate efforts so that this doesn't happen.

Hughes moved to adopt the amplified sound policy as discussed. Trotter seconded the motion.

Discussion: Trotter said having an amplified sound policy was something the District wanted to do before opening the ballfields, said in public meetings that we would have this policy, and that we kept our promise.

APPROVED unanimously.

7. North Side Planning for North Clackamas Park

Michelle Healy presented the process for choosing a consultant for the north side planning process. Alta was chosen from four proposals. Staff will be working through contracts with Alta to develop concept planning for this project. Healy gave a rough timeline of public meetings. There is some money in the current budget for this project.

The final concept plan will come to the DAB for approval by Dec 13, 2007.

8. Director's Comments

- Deputy Director Gary Barth and Zinzer will be meeting with the Governor's Revitalization Team. They want to talk with them about ODOT properties near North Clackamas Aquatic Park. The price is high, so they will talk with the Governor's team about having the State Economic Development staff donate the property to the District or sell it to NCPRD for a lower cost and look at a master plan for the whole area.
- A new building is going up next to the Public Services Building county offices in Oregon City. The Sunnybrook Service Center will be sold, and NCPRD's administrative staff will move to the new building. DAB meetings will still be held in the District at North Clackamas Aquatic Park, in Milwaukie city facilities, Happy Valley City Hall and the Milwaukie Center and possibly the community room at Eagle's Landing or the fire station on Causey Avenue
- The District will be sending written offers to property owners in Happy Valley for 30 acres. Zinzer will know by next meeting where NCPRD stands.
- The grand opening of the ballfields will take place April 21.
- Vandalism is occurring at North Clackamas Park, so for the last few weeks, the District has been locking the perimeter gates at night and opening them in the morning. Shook said neighbors are wondering how much parking will be used in their neighborhoods when there are events in the park. Foy suggested if there is vandalism, staff should close the park at night. Hughes said a park ranger may curtail these activities. Shook said park closing is a half-hour after sundown, and he expects some spillover to north side of park after games. He said the whole park will be open longer than it used to be. Shook said there will be a lot of light spilling into the north side from games. DAB members agreed that the pedestrian

gates should be locked at the same time as the main gate. Shook said the main barriers between north and south will be wetlands and wetland buffers.

- Sponsorships for the ballfields are expected to cover the annual cost of maintaining fields. There have been two commitments for field sponsorships, Rivermark Community Credit Union and Providence Health System. Sponsors will be allowed exclusivity.
- Hughes asked about the ODOT properties and the Sunnybrook extension. Zinzer said there are three levels of property: The road department needs a small amount of property for the extension, lower properties for the park and upper properties could be incorporated into the campus and for future use.
- Shawn said neighbors have seen mule deer and river otter in North Clackamas Park.

9. Board Members' Comments

- Shook said he appreciates the board approving the natural areas coordinator position. It has been needed for a long time and will be good for the District.
- Kristen Mitchell has been asked by some citizens what the process is because they would like to make a presentation about adding a skateboard park. Zinzer said they can call Michelle Healy or him and they will add their ideas to planning suggestions. Healy said that as the CIP is updated, they will be looking at these ideas and could be talked about as part of the process. They can also come to the DAB. Hughes said it is good that there is a liaison group, continue to build on it and use it as a communication device with the District. Jan Wirtz said to invite people interested in skateboarding to the June Jam skateboarding event in June.
- Thelma Haggenmiller the trails club in Oregon is doing the natural resources walk on the Trolley Trail with a welcoming at Stringfield Family Park.
- A dog park will be part of the north side planning discussions.
- Foy asked when the BCC taking action on the Trolley Trail and light rail. Zinzer said they are talking, but no one has asked permission from the District to put the light rail in the Trolley Trail area. The District has the deed for this property.
- New DAB members will have an orientation. Girtman will schedule.

10. Adjournment

Renee King, Chair, adjourned the District Advisory Board meeting at 8:10 p.m.

This DAB meeting was recorded. Tapes of this meeting are available for the cost of duplication and handling. To order tapes, contact Robin Bruce, Administrative Assistant, at 503-794-8002 or by email: robinbru@co.clackamas.or.us.

Meeting minutes will be posted as soon as they are completed on the District's Web site: www.co.clackamas.or.us/ncprd. Copies are also available for the cost of duplication from Robin Bruce.

NORTH CLACKAMAS PARKS AND RECREATION DISTRICT
District Advisory Board Meeting
June 14, 2007 – 6 p.m.
City of Happy Valley, Court Building

DAB members present:
Renee King, Chair
Don Trotter, Vice Chair
Elton Storment
Marylee Walden
Molly Hanthorn
Dick Shook
Michael Morrow
Mart Hughes

Staff members present:
Director Dan Zinzer, Deputy Director Gary Barth, Pam Girtman, Michelle Healy, Joan Young, Kandi Ho, Robin Bruce

Citizens: 12

1. Call to Order
Renee King, Chair, called the District Advisory Board to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. Citizen Participation
Susan Shawn, 13655 SE Briarfield Rd, Milwaukie said the wildlife is coming back to North Clackamas Park. She has seen rabbits and neighbors report seeing heron. There is more undisturbed area now that the park is recovering.

3. Approval of Minutes
Elton Storment moved for approval of the District Advisory Board minutes from May 10, 2007. Marylee Walden seconded the motion. Dick Shook and Don Trotter abstained because they were not present at that meeting. All others APPROVED.

4. Happy Valley Parents and Kids for a Skate Park
Chris Hale, 12177 SE Greiner Lane, Happy Valley, presented a case to have a skate park built in Happy Valley. Skateboarders practice their sport on private property and on roads. These children need a place to skate. He suggested building on a piece of property on Ridgecrest Road by the Sheriff's outpost. Hale said this space is accessible and safe.

Tom Hale, same address. Hale said that Chris Hale is determined to do this project and has done a good job of convincing others that a skate park is needed. He agreed that the children need a place to skate board. He said a space in the park next to the Sheriff's outpost would be an ideal place to build. Having a park would be better for the community. West Linn has a park that is well-used, is a positive environment and the parents know where their children are.

Elizabeth Hale, same address, suggested that the space by the basketball court in Happy Valley Park is a good place to build because it is a visible and fenced area.

Jasmine Hale, same address, and Brittany Farrington, 14824 SE Frye, Happy Valley, said it would be fun for the kids to have a skate park.

Lai Family, 12078 SE Dreamweaver Court, Happy Valley, said that their children skateboard, but have to go a long way to a park. It would be very nice to have a safe environment for youth to skateboard in their community and not have to commute to other parks.

Walden said that at one time she was opposed to skate parks, but has changed her mind. She said skate parks can be a good thing and gave examples of successful projects – West Linn, Tacoma, Forest Grove and Newberg. The parks have differing difficulty level, sizes and rules. Walden said safety concerns need to be considered. She suggested a larger site than the space at Happy Valley Park and said the property on 122nd adjacent to a church, or area next to the city hall when they move, would be better alternatives.

Morrow asked Chris Hale what he thinks about the 122nd property that is close to the high school, Safeway, on a busy street (visibility) and near Mather Road. Chris said he likes the idea.

King reminded the group that there is a long process to deciding what project to build and its location.

Trotter said there has been discussion about building a skateboard park for ten years. He said he was glad the DAB is exploring the possibilities, but doesn't think they should be limited to talking about one site. Equal facilities on the east and west sides of the District would be preferable. Trotter said the DAB should be looking district-wide and not just in Happy Valley and pursue this concept for more than one site to serve all of the kids in district better. A parent said she had concerns about how far away that site is and that kids would have to cross Sunnyside. King said she understands her concern, but the board represents the whole District and need to look at how to serve the whole District.

Josh Servo, 13670 SE Snowfire Drive, Happy Valley, said having a skate park is good for all ages and genders.

Hughes said he had questions about development of skate parks. He said they are not in the master plan. Happy Valley and the District have a relationship where the city will continue to manage some things. He is not clear about the City's plan for park development and how that relates with the District. A skate park will cost between $100,000 and $500,000, so this will take some planning. Hughes asked Zinzer where this planning fits into the District plans. Zinzer said there is a five-year capital improvement plan. Happy Valley still operates the city park, but other than that the District is the park provider in Happy Valley. One of our agreements with Happy Valley was to provide a

community park, community center, the connection of Mt. Scott Creek Trail and an all-weather turf field. In a community park, a skate park is as appropriate as other sports fields. If the District were to move forward with a community park, the community process for design could be started. Zinzer said he heard concerns at the Happy Valley city council that Happy Valley Park is full, so looking at another facility, possibly further east, is a possibility. A community park is defined as 20 to 30 acres. Happy Valley Park is 45 acres including the wetlands.

Storment said that he has been talking about the need to plan for skate parks for years and they need to be throughout the District.

Shook said the area below the Aquatic Park would be a good site for skate park

Trotter said that historically, when items come before the board with citizen input, the board asks staff to look into it and come back to the board with some planning options for directions and timeframes. It takes time to put new projects in budget and to complete. He also agrees that the District needs more than one skate park.

Tom Hale said if he were making the decision, he would weigh the as well as the positive impact on children. He said there are proven studies about children's health and using their time wisely. A skate park would be a monitored positive environment. He would want it to be within walking distance of Happy Valley. This would also help with real estate values.

5. North Side Planning at North Clackamas Park

Michelle Healy gave an update on the public process for the north side planning at North Clackamas Park. She invited members to come to a meeting at Alder Creek Middle School. The concepts have been preliminarily discussed with the Stewardship Committee at its last meeting.

Shook said that people can also express what they don't want in the plans. Healy agreed and said the hope is that the consultants will have enough information to have concept plans for the DAB to look at in August or September. She said many things have been done to encourage participation in public input.

Storment asked if this process was getting positive reception. Healy said she thought it was. Shook said that people who live on the north side of the park are concerned about what will go in that section. The neighbors have been sharing ideas.

There will be an update on this process at the next DAB meeting.

6. Amendment to the NCPRD Master Plan

Michelle Healy worked with the City of Happy Valley to combine NCPRD's master plan with theirs. This was done to recognize all of the parks in the District and to eliminate duplication of projects. These projects will be in the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). The City supports the joint master plan. In order to proceed with the CIP and the master

plan, the parks that do not show in either plan need to be recognized and adopted into the joint master plan.

Michael Morrow moved to amend the master plan to include parks in Happy Valley.

Discussion: Dan explained the process of eliminating duplicate projects and undone projects, and matching neighborhoods identified in the East Happy Valley Concept Plan. There will be one local park per neighborhood.

Molly Hanthorn seconded the motion. APPROVED unanimously.

7. NCPRD Capital Improvement Plan and System Development Charges (SDCs) Methodology

Healy handed out a list of items on the CIP and an update on SDCs. Since last discussing SDCs, there has been an increase because of missing compliance costs (they cover administrative costs). These amended rates have been shown to the City of Happy Valley, the Development Liaison Committee and staff for the City of Milwaukie.

Healy summarized some of the comments that were heard. Zinzer said that projects are in correlation with SDCs. If rates are to be lowered, the list of projects in the master plan would have to be reduced. The Homebuilders Association agreed that they wanted to keep all of the projects rather than lower the rate.

Shook asked why SDCs in Zone 2 are higher than the others. Healy said the rate is calculated on expected population growth and needed projects. When that is divided out, there are fewer people to spread out the cost, so the rate is higher.

Trotter asked if rates have to be approved by both cities and the BCC. Healy and Zinzer said only the BCC can set the rates, but they want the support of the cities. Trotter said the last time rates were raised the District ended up with lower rates than suggested to the BCC. Zinzer said the District has had the discussion with the BCC and said projects would be cut if rates are lowered. The rates have been presented to the City of Happy Valley and are scheduled to be presented to the City of Milwaukie.

Zinzer said if the District can get an OK from the City Milwaukie and it goes to the BCC, Zinzer would like to know the DAB is OK with the rates. If the DAB thinks the rates are too high, staff will look at projects to eliminate.

Hughes made a motion that the DAB would support a rate that supports all of the projects.

Healy said state law requires that there is a prioritization of the projects and a timeframe. The District has done a five-year implementation plan with prioritized projects. Zinzer said revenues were projected and projects were planned according to when the revenue is available. The CIP is a fluid document that can be changed with circumstances.

Trotter seconded the motion for discussion.

Discussion: Walden said the only comment that was made at the Happy Valley City Council meeting was about priority. She asked if that had been adjusted. Healy said the list has not been changed since meeting with Happy Valley, but has added the comment to regarding this issue. Zinzer said the priority for the neighborhood parks can be raised if money is available for the community park sooner.

Zinzer talked about the projection for development in the Happy Valley area. The District needs to pick up land as planning continues.

Healy said the District will always be looking for opportunities to acquire land for projects. She said that all of the groups they met with have been supportive of the non-residential rate (employer rate).

APPROVED, unanimously.

8. Food Services Contract for Aquatic Park

Zinzer said the contract for Pizza Schmizza ended and an RFP for new food service was created. The only proposer was Total Golf Management (TGM) Deli from Stone Creek Golf Club. They are set up and operating as the Tsunami Café with business going pretty well. The café has been open since Memorial Day.

Pizza Schmizza did not make a proposal because the owner wanted to have only one site. The café's hours are from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. which covers most of the hours the pool is open. Zinzer said the District wants consistency and a better profit center for the Aquatic Park. With the college expansion happening and because of the staffs at OIT and Harmony, it is a good time to branch out to provide food service for our neighbors.

Hughes said concessions was a large item on the budget and asked what the projected revenues are for next year. Zinzer said revenue is expected to go from $23,000 to $80,000. Ho said there are changes in services, too. Tsunami Café provides all the products and food for birthday parties, hosting and working with those parties. There are savings because Ho is able to reduce staff costs and there are higher revenues with expanded hours. TGM is managing for profitability.

Zinzer said the handling of the money is different now so the Aquatic Park has more control and accountability.

King asked if there was a possibility of catering. Ho said they are already providing catering on site and can serve outside of the building, as well. The Chamber has a lot of events and may be a customer for the café.

Zinzer said he will provide a one-page summary of the contract to the DAB at a future meeting. This will be a discussion item since there was only one proposer.

9. Gates at North Clackamas Park

Zinzer said there was a call from someone who likes to use the dog park early in the day and wants to make sure the neighborhood access gates are not locked and another from a neighbor who said dogs are coming into the park at 5:30 a.m. and wants the gates locked. The recommendation from the Stewardship Committee is that the neighbors on the south of the park are controlling the locks until there is a problem.

Shook said to be consistent with all the gates being locked. Trotter said the park should have operating hours and citizens would abide by the rules.

Hughes said at Powell Butte the park is from midnight to 5 a.m., but the parking lot is open from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. The night closure is an attempt to keep out illegal camping and other disruptive activity, so he would recommend gate closures. Zinzer said in the County Parks, vehicular traffic is restricted, but pedestrians are not.

Shook said he would like the Casa Del Rey gate locked because people go through to the park at night for parties. Zinzer said he never had many complaints about nighttime activities, but he has about mornings.

King said the District has park hours and we need to adhere to the park hours.

Eric Shawn, 13655 SE Briarfield Ct, Milwaukie, said that as it gets lighter earlier in the morning, he has walked through the park on his way to Milwaukie rather than walk down Highway 224. He said another perspective would be to support opening the park with sunrise.

Shook said he has seen bike riders cut through the park. He said a consistent opening and closing would go a long way to solving some of the problems.

Currently, park hours are 7 a.m. to a half-hour after dusk.

Shawn said the conversation could continue with the Stewardship Committee. The issue is larger and broader than park hours. It also involves access and noise and how it is handled. Zinzer said he invited the two people who called him regarding gate openings to attend the Stewardship Committee meeting.

10. Election of Officers

King opened the floor for nominations for Chair and Vice chair of the District Advisory Board.

Shook nominated Renee King for chair. Walden seconded the nomination. APPROVED unanimously.

Trotter nominated Kristin Mitchell for Vice Chair. Shook nominated Mart Hughes who chose not to serve. Mitchell voiced a willingness to serve. Storment seconded the nomination. APPROVED unanimously.

11. Director's Comments

- Zinzer met with the City of Molalla about annexation to the District. The City is moving forward with some preliminary discussions and an IGA. He said that he will bring a draft IGA to the DAB, if one is ready by the next meeting. Molalla wants to have a May election, so the process begins now. The process is similar to what was done in Happy Valley, negotiating IGAs, talking with the community and holding some focus groups to find out what people in the area want and need. The area served would be the same as the Molalla School District. Mary Swanson of the Clackamas County Department of Transportation and Development will work half-time on this project.

  This annexation would not be a huge benefit to the District; but it would be a service to that area. Molalla has $650,000 a year in its operating fund. There is a growth spurt on the west side of Molalla. There are six parks, some ballfields and a natural area (45 acres with Bear Creek), and Molalla wants to continue operating what it has. The School District passed a bond to build a pool with an agreement with the City that the City would operate the pool. The School District wants to partner with the District on some sports fields. The pool is a lap pool.

  There is a difference in city boundaries and school district boundaries. The School District is very large – it goes to the Marion County lines, over to the Canby School District in the west and to Estacada School District to the east. Zinzer will come back to the board for discussions along the way.

  Hughes asked if DAB members will need to go to city council. Zinzer said yes, as the process continues. Storment asked if the DAB membership will change. Zinzer said the board may want to have more than one board, especially if Canby also joins the District. The services in Molalla and Canby would be for a more rural population. All of these areas are within the greater boundary of Clackamas County parks.

  Hughes said there seems to be a service need in the southern part of the county. It is reasonable to think about growing the District throughout the county.
- The Harmony Park project is going ahead with a master plan. Consultants with Clackamas Community College are working on a plan for an organized master plan for whole area. It is still early in the process. There are parking issues, so there is talk about putting in a parking structure.
- Michelle presented a grant proposal for $500,000 of state park funds.

12. Board Members' Comments

- Shook said Clackamas High School is going ahead with a turf field. Zinzer said he will team up with the School District at the Rock Creek site.
- Shook said there will be two meetings of interest: on June 25, from 6 to 8 p.m. a workshop will be held about Harmony Road/Sunnybrook improvements; and another meeting on the same night will be held at the Boring Middle School

where Metro is sponsoring a discussion about where to spend Metro bond money, including on Scouter's Mountain and Mt. Talbert. Metro bought three lots on the east side of Mt. Talbert.

- Trotter said he is happy to be a "worker bee" on the board after years of serving as the DAB chair.
- Storment highly complimented Zinzer on his work with the District.
- There will be a joint meeting between the County Parks Advisory Board, the DAB and the Commissioners on July 24 at Happy Valley Park.
- King showed an article on the naming of Camas Creek. She thanked Dick Shook for his work to make this happen. Shook said it will be included in the Oregon Geographic Names book and it becomes an official designation with the Bureau of Maps.

13. Adjournment

Renee King adjourned the District Advisory Board meeting at 7:45 p.m.

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NORTH CLACKAMAS PARKS AND RECREATION DISTRICT'
DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
August 9, 2007 – 6 p.m.
Water Environment Services conference rooms
Sunnybrook Service Center

DAB members present:
Renee King
Kristin Mitchell
Molly Hanthorn
Jerry Foy
Michael Morrow
Mart Hughes

Staff members present:
Gary Barth, Deputy Director
Michelle Healy, Senior Planner
Pam Girtman, Community Relations Specialist
Kandi Ho, Aquatic and Recreation Manager
Jason Kemmerich, Aquatic Supervisor
Kevin Cayson, Parks Maintenance Supervisor
Robin Bruce, Administrative Assistant

1. Call to Order
Renee King, Chair, called the District Advisory Board meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

2. Notes from the July 25, 2007 Joint Meeting with County Parks and the BCC
King asked that her first question was intended to be "do the policies need to be the same" rather than "are the policies the same?"

3. Approval of June 14, 2007 DAB Meeting Minutes
Jerry Foy moved to approve the minutes from the June 14, 2007 DAB meeting. Molly Hanthorn seconded the motion. Kristin Mitchell abstained because she was not present at that meeting. All others APPROVED.

4. North Side Preliminary Concept Plans
Michelle Healy presented three preliminary concept plans for development of the north side of North Clackamas Park. These plans were based on the comments heard at the first public meetings, the Stewardship Committee meeting, from staff and the DAB.

Concept "A" has the least amount of change. It moves the dog park to the east, restores natural areas, has fewer parking spaces and includes exercise kiosks. The gravel parking area would be removed. The area with a pond will be left in a natural state and visitors will not be encouraged to go in that area. Discussion is continuing about the caretaker's space. Split rail fences are shown on all concept plans – they are to discourage people from going into natural areas.

Concept "B" is the plan with the most changes. It includes increasing new parking areas, moving the existing picnic shelter to a new location, moving the dog run to the furthest point east, trails, exercise kiosks, more play features at the playground, an improved creek crossing to the parking lot and a caretaker area (included in all plans).

Concept "C" is a hybrid of the first two plans. It has the new parking lot on the north side that is smaller and configured differently; the dog run has enhanced boundaries, a new group picnic shelter, another smaller picnic shelter and a new playground.

Hughes said the exercise kiosks along Terwilliger Parkway have been abandoned and they don't get used in other places. He said they are a waste of money.

The next step is to hand out a survey that has been designed to get public input. A student will be asking park users to fill them out.

Hughes said it would be advantageous to remove two of the bridges from across the resource area. They are in disrepair and he questions if they will be maintained in the future. Healy said in all of the plans one bridge has been removed. Healy said the bridges are used to cross from the north side to the south side and maintenance crews use them to move around the park. Barth said these bridges are critical for park users to get from the ballfields to the playgrounds.

Hughes suggested that a wildflower field would be a good addition.

Foy said he likes the arrangement parking much better on Plan B than Plan C. He said it is safer, more maneuverable and closer to the existing parking area. Foy said it also has a better opportunity for lighting.

King asked if there are more group picnic areas in one plan over the others. Healy said there are two areas in each plan and there is interest in having a covered area for smaller groups. King asked if it would be possible in any of the plans to add more covered picnic areas for small groups, especially near the playgrounds.

Members were asked to fill out questionnaires about the concept plans and send them to Healy.

The next public meeting will be on Aug. 22.

5. Pfeifer Park meeting

The next DAB meeting will be moved Pfeifer Park on 139th off Sunnyside. Pictures were shared showing progress in the construction of the park.

6. Director's comments

- Gary Barth reported in Dan Zinzer's absence.
- In mediation prior to condemnation on the 30 acres in Happy Valley.

- Pfeifer Park is shaping up.
- Molalla annexation – progressing well with the City. John Adkins, City Manager, is looking for a solution to problems with operating funds for their aquatic center. Their Park, Recreation and Trails Master Plan is almost in final draft form. Focus groups regarding annexation will start in September. The process will be very similar to the process used when annexing Happy Valley. If the District receives approvals by Dec. 31, we will begin the technical and legal process to get this issue on the May ballot. The area to be annexed is bound by the School District boundaries (not including an "island" of land that belongs to Oregon City School District). The geographic area includes a number of County Parks, but they will continue to be managed by the County Parks system. The School District owns the swim facility, and the City operates it out of their general fund. If the annexation passes, the Parks District would have an IGA with the School District to operate the pool. The new master plan is a good starting place for planning for the area. The tax rate would generate about $600,000 a year, with the pool costing about $350,000 a year. They would adopt our levy – NCPRD's tax rate would apply. The District has talked to CPOs in the area.
- Canby merger – Canby has an unfunded park district which was formed in the 1960s. Their board meets monthly and is very receptive to the idea of merging with NCPRD. The District will meet with the Canby Parks Advisory Committee (to the City Council) on Aug. 20. Canby would assume the District's tax rate if they merge with NCPRD. There currently is a levy that the City of Canby has their residents for operation of their pool. The process for this merger will track about three months behind the Molalla annexation process with the goal of a ballot in Sept 2008.
- Eleanor Johnson said she walked the north side of North Clackamas Park and she recommended it to DAB members. If more covered areas are added to the north side and they are all rented, the current parking problem will get bigger. She said she doesn't want to see the park become nothing but a parking lot and would prefer that there weren't as many rentals. Johnson said she wants to maintain the beauty of the park. King said she doesn't think that small two- or four-picnic table shelters would be rented.
- A new contract for food services at North Clackamas Aquatic Park has moved fairly quickly since Pizza Schmizza left. Kandi Ho said the transition has happened. Total Golf Management operating as the Tsunami Cafe provides food for the birthday parties and sells a full menu of items. The area is much cleaner and customer service has improved. Hours of operation expanded during pool hours. The revenues will be reforecast. Labor costs being readjusted. The arcade area may be used for seating/catering and the café is looking to use some outside space. Catering will expand to outside the Aquatic Park.
- Update on youth ballfields – an initial review was done and "lessons learned" were listed. Foy asked if the District is responding to the negative press. The initial review memo will be shared with the public and is one attempt to answer some of the questions. King said this is a perfect issue for the stewardship committee to deal with. Zinzer contacted the Stewardship Committee and asked for suggestions that are a consensus of what they would like to happen. Staff

could be asked to push this with the committee. Foy said he has been getting negative comments, mainly about the ball game warm-ups. The noise from the warmups begins an hour or more before games and the maintenance crews are working early to prepare the fields for games. King said Trotter's concern was mostly about the early game times on Sundays. Zinzer is working on some ideas that he will present to the Stewardship Committee. King said the District needs to acknowledge to the community that they have been heard and that we are making changes. She said we are in a period of adjustment. Hanthorn said the Shooks replaced their windows and it helped with the noise. Zinzer walked through the park to the Shooks's home and was not able to hear noise from the ballfields. Foy said Father Tate's parishioners complained about noise during services.

- The Whytewater celebration at Barton Park Aug. 17 is an event to thank community volunteers. DAB members were invited to attend.

7. DAB member comments:

- Mitchell commented on NCP concept plans. Joan would say there is a desperate need for more parking.
- Foy asked what the timelines are for Ostermann Park and the clubhouse. He asked that staff give a refresher on the details of the contract for this park.
- Foy asked if the construction near the Aquatic Park was a problem. Ho said the only down side she can think of is that the public will not be able to see the Aquatic Park from Harmony Road.
- Morrow asked if a tour of facilities was planned for board members. Girtman said that after the summer events in September, staff may be able to do an orientation tour before the next DAB meeting.
- Girtman announced that Clackamas LIVE! will be on Sept. 8 and 9. Music will be on Saturday and Sunday. This event is in coordination with the Chamber of Commerce.
- The County Fair starts Aug. 13 and goes through the following Sunday. The recreation program has a special section set up behind the horse barn by the pioneer area. On Armed Services Day at the fair, cards will be sent to veterans in the county. Veteran's Services now a part of the department. New banners will fly at the fair that show parts of the District's services.
- An ice cream social fundraiser will be at the Milwaukie Center Friday. Foy asked how the revenues are performing at the Milwaukie Center. Young said they are on track and doing better than ever.
- Mill Park Night Out event - Hundreds of people come to this event each year. The District supports this event and works the event. The park is a safe place that night, and the neighbors are appreciative of the District. Mill Park is in the Overland area. RecMobile programming is there once a week.
- Risley Park was busy the day the RecMobile was there. There will be a movie at Risley Park on Aug. 24 at dusk.

9. Adjournment

The District Advisory Board was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

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NORTH CLACKAMAS PARKS AND RECREATION DISTRICT
DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD
September 13, 2007 – 6 p.m.
Pfeifer Park, Clackamas

DAB members present:
Renee King, Chair
Kristin Mitchell, Vice Chair
Elton Storment
Molly Hanthorn
Dick Shook
Ron Keene
Michael Morrow
Don Trotter
Mart Hughes
Jerry Foy

Staff members present:
Dan Zinzer, Director
Gary Barth, Deputy Director
Michelle Healy, Senior Planner
Kandi Ho, Aquatics and Recreation Manager
Mike McLees, County Parks Manager
Kevin Cayson, Parks Maintenance Supervisor
Pam Girtman, Community Relations Specialist
Chris Storey, County Counsel
Jason Kemmerich, Aquatics Supervisor
Robin Bruce, Administrative Assistant

Citizens: Carl, Carolyn and Jennifer Pfeifer
Macy Gast, Budget Committee

1. Call to Order
Renee King, Chair, called the District Advisory Board to order at 6 p.m.

2. Citizen Participation
None

3. Approval of Minutes from August 14, 2007
Elton Storment moved to approve the minutes from the August 14, 2007 District Advisory Board meeting. Molly Hanthorn seconded the motion. APPROVED Ron Keene, Dick Shook and Don Trotter abstained because they were not present at the August meeting.

4. Highland Summit Open Space
Michelle Healy said the District had an inquiry from the Homeowners Association for Highland Summit. There are a number of open spaces in the neighborhood, with two of

them the District's responsibility and one owned by the Homeowners Association. One of the District's is a piece developed, improved and maintained by the homeowners. There are no plans for this piece in the District's master plan. The association is asking the District to transfer ownership to them. Healy said a letter was received from the president of the association's board.

Elton Storment moved to recommend to the BCC that they return the land to the Homeowners Association. Michael Moore seconded the motion. APPROVED unanimously

5. System Development Charges (SDCs)

Healy gave an update on the proposed new SDC rates at a past meeting. Since then District staff has talked with the cities, homebuilders, Economic Development Commission, BCC and the Chamber of Commerce. Their comments were used to make changed to the rates. The process for changing SDCs requires a 90-day notice, which was done.

King asked if there needs to be more parity between the zones. Healy said Happy Valley has not seen the proposed change yet. There is some understanding that Happy Valley has a lot of growth and their rates will be higher. Zinzer said that Happy Valley did see the original rates, but not since the Milwaukie rates were reduced. King asked what the reduction in rates means to the project lists. Zinzer said Milwaukie took two of their projects off the list. Happy Valley's rates were reduced because of changes District-wide.

Zinzer said staff met with the Homebuilders Association. The association thinks rates are high, but they don't want projects removed unless they can't be done. The District is looking for four more acres that can be bought and developed into another park. We may have to take out a Zone 2 park.

Hughes asked if a need can't be fulfilled because the land isn't there, what could be done about the need. Healy said there might be an opportunity to improve other property instead. Trotter asked if we knew what the change if one project was deleted. Zinzer said estimates are being worked up that say the change would be about 1% of the total project amount.

Zinzer said the biggest developer said they would not oppose the nonresidential rates. The retail and industrial rates are per employee.

Elton Storment moved to recommend the new SDC rates to the BCC to move forward for public hearings. Don Trotter seconded the motion. APPROVED unanimously.

6. Climbing Wall Fees

Kandi Ho proposed fees for the new climbing wall at the Aquatic Park that is due to be installed in the next two months. The wall is 29 feet high and will be inside the Aquatic Park to be used year-'round. The wall is created to accommodate five stations, but because of the dynamics of the space only three stations will be used.

Hughes asked what the safety issues are with the wall. Ho said staff has checked with County Risk Management and Oregon Recreation and Park Association. Kemmerich said staff will go through a training session with the company and will participate in an annual inspection of the equipment. There are features that keep climbers from falling. A staff member puts users in harness and there are mats below the wall. Climbers can wear bathing suits, but shoes are recommended, too.

Storment asked staff to return to the DAB and report about the wall after time has passed and new information is known. Trotter asked how confident staff was that fees are high enough to break even. He said he would prefer to see a little higher fee and if in time we can lower the fee to do so. King said climbers will have already paid a fee to swim. Zinzer said there can be a fee to climb but not swim. Barth said an introductory fee could be charged and then prepare for a raise in the fee later. Ho said there is also a concern that the wall wouldn't get used if the fee is too high.

Foy said he thinks the proposed rate is high. Ho said that rates in other locations are higher.

King asked if there will be a class for rock climbing. Ho said yes and the wall can also be used for birthday parties. Instructors are needed and the first opportunity for a class is in the spring.

Operators can use their discretion about how much time a climber is on the wall. Barth said it could also depend on peak times. Hughes said there should be set hours. Ho said times would most likely be during Big Surf! times and could begin as soon as the tube rentals sell out. Times would be set for when a staff member is available. Higher fees could be charged for peak times. Ho said she planned to have a set time in the morning when there is a larger group of older people there in the fall and during the lunch hour. Once there is an interest, the Aquatic Park would have set hours.

Keene made a motion to recommend approving the fee schedule. Shook seconded the motion. APPROVED unanimously.

7. Harmony Vision Plan

Healy reported on the Harmony United Visioning Plan. The purpose of this plan is to talk about the area near the Aquatic Park where the college is building a allied health care building. Partners will work together on the area changes and projects. The United Visioning Plan is to let people know what is going on at the site, give recommendation for ideas that can make the project go better and to come up with a name for the area.

The next public meeting will be on Sept. 26 at OIT at 6 p.m. The hope is that public meetings will bring the public into the process. Healy said the visioning is first, and later there will be more in-depth park planning for the Three Creek Area. NCPRD will want to know what range of development the public wants to see on this site.

Foy said there is a lot of controversy about the Harmony Road project. Healy said there have been inquiries about the road and what can be done. The road project influences the project and the project will influence plans for the road.

8. North Side Planning

Healy gave an update on the north side planning for North Clackamas Park. Staff mailed a survey to interested members, with the intention to get feedback about the two concepts presented so far. Concept plans are based on public comment that has been received up to that point. The public input period is up to Oct. 1. There are still opportunities to comment after that date.

Trotter said the survey does not tell where responders lives or if they are NCPRD residents. Healy said the survey was handed out to neighbors of the park. The survey was only one way information was gathered. Of the 500 surveys mailed, about 100 were received. The information given was thoughtful and helpful with positive comments on the ballfields.

9. District Name Change

With annexation possible for Molalla and Canby, the District may need to change its name. Zinzer showed a map of area that would be affected by an annexation. The first focus group on this issue was held this week with business leaders in Molalla. One concern voiced was about the name.

Storment said he would want to make sure that Molalla has a real interest in joining the District first. Barth said the legal name on the ballot would be North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District, but there could be a provision on the ballot to change the name.

King asked what the economic impact would be of changing the name. Changes, like signs, could be changed over time.

Foy asked if Clackamas County Parks District would be confused with County Parks. Zinzer said it would be a little confusing, but it already is confusing.

Hughes asked if this is an issue for an IGA. Zinzer said it could be. King said from a public relations perspective it's easier for the public if the name doesn't have to be explained. The Chamber changed its name and there has been no negative fallout, she said.

King said to put a time limit on making the changes. The election would be in May of 2008 and the change would be made after that. She asked if the same district could have two names – North Clackamas and South Clackamas. The District would need a legal name.

Zinzer said if the DAB is open to the idea of changing the District's name, as staff goes forward with focus groups, they will say the District is open to changing the name. Hughes and Storment said they are interested in the District growing but are concerned

about changing the name if the areas do not annex. Zinzer said Molalla and Canby are serious about the annexation option.

Trotter asked what process has to be followed to change the name. Storey said he will send out a short memo to the board explaining the process.

The Canby Park District changed its name a couple of times, Zinzer said, and he does not know of any negative outcome from those changes.

Foy asked if the Canby pool would be part of the merger. Zinzer said the Canby Park District is unfunded. The pool would be part of the merger.

Hughes asked what the District has to do to prepare for these kinds of expansions in the district. Zinzer said for Molalla a financial feasibility analysis is needed, and an IGA outlining what NCPRD and they will do. It is the same process as was used in the annexation of Happy Valley.

- **Director's Comments**
- 30-acre property in Happy Valley – Zinzer showed a draft school plan next to park area (does not include community center). Zinzer will meet with planners this week; he met with landowners today. He will have more information about the sale at the next DAB meeting.
- There has been a request from Ned Nedilisky about an amphitheater at Ella V. Osterman Park. It would include a stage with tiered seating. Under the stage would be a garage for maintenance equipment. Nedilisky is asking for $500,000 in SDC credits for development of this amphitheater. Foy said the District needs a current revision on Osterman Park. King said she wants answers to many questions first. Nedilisky wants NCPRD to maintain the amphitheater and they would schedule it. There would be some on-street parking. Trotter said if Nedilisky is serious, he needs to make a proposal to the DAB. Zinzer said he will check to see if this project is eligible for SDC credits. Hughes asked if there is a community need. Mitchell asked how viable an amphitheatre is. Trotter and Hanthorn said there is an amphitheater at Riverfront Park.
- The State of the County will be held on Sept. 19 in Oregon City.
- The Mt. Talbert grand opening will be held on Oct. 6 at 10 a.m.

- **Board Members' Comments**

None

- **Adjournment**

Renee King, Chair, adjourned the District Advisory Board meeting at 7:15 p.m.

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NORTH CLACKAMAS PARKS AND RECREATION DISTRICT
DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD
November 8, 2007 – 6 p.m. Milwaukie Center

DAB members present:
Renee King, Chair
Kristin Mitchell, Co-Chair
Molly Hanthorn
Mart Hughes
Jerry Foy
Dick Shook
Ron Keene

Staff members present:
Dan Zinzer, Director
Gary Barth, Deputy Director
Michelle Healy, Senior Planner
Pam Girtman, Community Relations Specialist
Roy Wall, Administrative Services Manager
Joan Young, Milwaukie Center Director
Kandi Ho, Aquatic and Recreation Manager
Kevin Cayson, Parks Maintenance Supervisor
Robin Bruce, Administrative Assistant

Guest: Robin Wilcox, Alta Planning
Citizens: Eleanor Johnson, Thelma Haggenmiller, Skip Haak

1. Call to Order
Renee King, Chair, called the District Advisory Board to order at 6:03 p.m.

2. Citizen Participation
None

3. Approval of Minutes from October 11, 2007 meeting
Jerry Foy moved to approve the minutes of the Oct. 11, 2007, District Advisory Board meeting. Dick Shook seconded the motion. APPROVED unanimously

4. North Clackamas Park North Side Planning
Michelle Healy introduced Robin Wilcox from Alta Planning who presented the latest concept plan for the north side of North Clackamas Park. The concept plan was based on public comments received so far in the planning process.

Ron Keene arrived at 6:15 p.m.

Foy asked how high the split rail fences were, and if they were a maintenance issue is there another material that could be considered. Wilcox said the fences are four feet high and other options for the fences were discussed.

Wilcox said that 15 parking spaces were added in this plan. Healy said there were public comments both pro and con about parking spaces, so this plan shows a balance between those concerns. This plan also includes a secure area for the buses to park.

Shook said he was glad the dog park was moving east near the caretaker who can help with the noise.

Mitchell asked if there will be postings in natural areas and educational signage. Healy said there will be educational signage and the fences tell people not to enter natural areas.

Hughes said fences are necessary to protect the natural areas. They represent a psychological and social barrier. He said split rail will last 10 to 15 years and that vegetation grows better when fences are present. Wilcox said the chain link fences between the private property and park will not be removed.

Hughes asked why there are exercise stations. Wilcox said exercise stations were requested and even though they do not always get used, there is a better chance here because of the walking program at the Milwaukie Center. Hughes said he is skeptical that they will get used and thinks that money will be wasted. Healy said planning for the north side of the park will come in phases and the materials and costs will be discussed then. Hughes said the District needs to put dollars where they will be used best.

Hughes asked if there is a plan that will address long term preservation and maintenance of ash/oak forest. Wilcox said they are working on this with specialists. No structures are being built in that area and they are proposing successional planting. Hughes said some maintenance practices are harmful to the plantings, so he asked for some language in the plan to address this. Wilcox said there is a section in the report about maintenance of this area, and some areas would need to be designated for special care.

King asked where the connector path is that links to the path that goes around the ballfields. Wilcox said the three bridges across the creek connect to the path. King asked if people can be in the creek somewhere. Wilcox said they heard from a lot of people who want to do just that, but they needed to balance those requests with others who want no one near the creek. Healy said they heard very strongly that people want to protect and restore the creek area. Wilcox said there are regulations that require a 50-foot buffer. Hughes talked about a park where the creek was fenced off and an area was left without vegetation and with access for interaction. He said that every time people enter a site, something is taken away from it.

Eleanor Johnson asked about the road that runs past the Milwaukie Center to the parking lot. She said she is worried that people who do not walk fast will be in danger from the traffic moving in front of the center. It was suggested that speed bumps or other methods

could be used to slow traffic. Traffic would be one way. Johnson also said there is not enough room for maintenance on the road. In response to a question from Johnson, we were told that plans include dividing the dog run into areas for large and small dogs.

Keene said he thinks it is important to have some interaction with the creek in a controlled manner. He does not believe in unfettered access but would like to see an opportunity for interaction.

Thelma Haggenmiller related an experience with a park with a creek that ran over the road. Visitors were able to play in the creek by the roadside. She said that interaction is important and said she can imagine a pathway where people can walk through the water without damaging the creek area. Healy said off-leash dogs that run up and down the banks and creeks are a problem. There are fines for off-leash dogs, but enforcement has been difficult.

Shook said he agrees with Hughes about protecting the creek. A lot of work has been done to restore and protect fish in the creek. He said post and chain link fences are inexpensive and don't rot as quickly as wood.

Foy said he read an article about ash and oak trees not surviving on Mt. Talbert. Hughes said we are in a changing environment and the oak forest components in certain areas. Douglas fir has been invading causing a change in the forests. Some wildlife is affected. Oak forests can be maintained with a certain type of management that is similar to, but not necessarily the same as what the environment was.

There is one more public meeting where a final plan will be presented. The DAB will probably be taking action on the final plan at the January meeting.

Zinzer said preliminary research shows there may be a small area that has some restriction requiring fencing. Barth said a lot of outreach has been done on this plan and the DAB represents the community. Many voices continue in this process.

5. Executive Session

The DAB went into executive session in accordance with ORS 192.6602(e) to discuss real property negotiations.

6. Regional Park Acquisition

Mitchell made a motion to recommend to the BCC the amount of $8 million for the acquisition of the regional park property. Keene seconded the motion.

Discussion: Foy asked for an explanation of SDCs expected to pay back the loan of $8 million. Zinzer presented the newest version of the six-year plan that explains the flow of expected SDCs over the years.

Foy asked what the potential is for bonds. Zinzer said the District is stronger right now, according to bond counsel, because of the fund balances and revenues generated.

Mitchell asked what percentage of the park SDCs are for the whole District. Zinzer said most of them are District-wide funds.

APPROVED unanimously.

7. Prioritization of Projects

Zinzer asked for a re-prioritization of projects from the DAB. There is only a finite amount of money for the regional park so the DAB was asked what was most important to them.

King asked what "community center" means, then said she sees opportunities to provide services in partnership with the YMCA, Providence Hospital, schools (i.e., an after-school program), etc.

Mitchell said she would like to see services offerings as broad as Mt. Scott Community Center or the Mt. Scott Community Center. Gyms, health and fitness, meeting rooms – these parts bring in revenue that supports the other services. This community area wants and needs a community center. The YMCA did a feasibility study and found it to be viable to build a community center, like the Sherwood YMCA. Ballfields will be needed, but the community center is more of a priority along with enough athletic fields to make the schools work.

Foy said he agrees, but is a big proponent of athletic fields. He asked how big of an area would be represented by this center. Zinzer said there was a trade-off with adult facilities while the North Clackamas fields were built for youth. High school fields would also accommodate adults.

Mitchell said this might not be the best place for so many ballfields. The fields need to be built with the schools, and then the community center could be build later. Zinzer said it's important to know how big the community center needs to be and how big of a footprint it will need.

Young said senior services are not available in the area and would need at least a satellite office.

Hughes said there is a need for small organizations to provide community education and athletics. There is also a need for rooms for education and meeting spaces and social service organizations. He said now is the appropriate time to build a community center.

Keene asked what serves the broader community. A community center would serve a large number of people at all ages.

8. Budget Committee Nominations

Wall said two citizen budget committee members' terms have expired – Marylee Walden and Macy Gast. They were contacted and would like to be reappointed. Walden also

serves on the DAB. Wall asked for a recommendation to the BCC to have more than one DAB member on the budget committee.

Foy explained that the committee reviews the budget and takes the budget to a hearing before the BCC. Terms are three years in duration. Walden will be on the DAB for only one more year.

No objections or concerns were voiced.

9. Director's Comments

- The Molalla annexation focus groups are finished. By the next DAB meeting a draft master plan will be available of what would be accomplished if the annexation occurs.
- NCPRD received a design award from the Oregon Recreation and Parks Association for the North Clackamas Park (NCP) ballfields.
- The plaque with DAB members' and County Commissioners' names has been mounted at the entryway of NCP.
- Climbing wall video was shown. It was raw footage that will be used for commercials.
- Part of a video that was created for and taken to the Amateur Softball Association conference in Louisville, Ky., was shown. It was used to bid on a national softball tournament. The District got the 2009 Western National tournament for Clackamas County.
- The next public workshop for the Unified Vision for Harmony master plan will be on Nov. 13.
- A postcard – paid for by a tourism grant – featuring partnerships with area businesses and North Clackamas Aquatic Park will be sent out.

10. Board Member Comments

- Foy commented on the amount of money raised by the concession stand for the nutrition program.
- King invited DAB members to Eagle Landing on Dec. 13 for a holiday appreciation party with parks district and Business and Community Services Department staff from 5 to 8 p.m. Individual invitations were also mailed to members' homes.
- Mike McLees, County Parks manager, will have heart surgery on Friday.

11. Adjournment

Renee King, Chair, adjourned the meeting at 8 p.m.

This DAB meeting was recorded. Tapes of this meeting are available for the cost of duplication and handling. To order tapes, contact Robin Bruce, Administrative Assistant, at 503-794-8002 or by email: robinbru@co.clackamas.or.us. Meeting minutes will be posted as soon as they are completed on the District's Web site: www.clackamas.us/ncprd. Copies are also available for the cost of duplication from Robin Bruce.

NORTH CLACKAMAS PARKS AND RECREATION DISTRICT
District Advisory Board Meeting
January 10, 2008
Sunnybrook Service Center

DAB members present:
Renee King, Chair
Kristin Mitchell, Vice Chair
Molly Hanthorn
Dick Shook
Don Trotter
Mart Hughes
Michael Morrow
Marylee Walden
Ron Keene
Jerry Foy

Staff members present:
Dan Zinzer, Director
Michelle Healy, Senior Planner
Joan Young, Milwaukie Center Director
Kandi Ho, Aquatic and Recreation Manager
Pam Girtman, Community Relations Specialist
Kevin Cayson, Parks Maintenance Supervisor
Jason Kemmerich, Aquatics Supervisor
Joe Loomis, Athletic Coordinator
Robin Bruce, Office Supervisor

Guests: Mike Rose, Project Manager, Alta

Citizens: Eleanor Johnson
Skip Haak

1. Call to Order
Renee King, Chair, called the District Advisory Board (DAB) to order at 6:05 p.m.

2. Citizen Participation
None

3. Approval of Minutes from November 8, 2007 DAB Meeting
Shook said the reference to a fence should read "post and chain fence" and there was a repeated phrase corrected to include "Southwest Community Center."

Molly Hanthorn moved to accept the minutes as corrected. Kristin Mitchell seconded the motion. Don Trotter, Michael Morrow and Marylee Walden abstained because they were

not present at the November meeting. All others approved. APPROVED AS CORRECTED

4. Reappointments to the Community Center Advisory Board

Joy Estes and Caroline Mills applied to continue serving on the C/CAB. Their applications were approved by the C/CAB and recommended to the DAB for their approval.

Dick Shook moved to reappoint the applicants to the C/CAB. Don Trotter seconded the motion.

Discussion: Trotter asked about the vacancies on the C/CAB. Young said they have not been actively recruiting because the board recommends making the board smaller as part of the new IGA with Milwaukie.

King said the new expiration dates for these positions would be in October 2010.

APPROVED

5. North Clackamas Park North Side Plan

Michelle Healy presented the final draft of the concept plan for the north side of North Clackamas Park (NCP). She introduced the Project Manager for Alta, Mike Rose. He said there have been three public meetings. The first meeting was to find out what the neighbors wanted for the park. At the second meeting, consultants brought concept plans and asked the public to vote for their favorite. At the third meeting, the final concept plan was presented. In addition to the three public meetings, District staff met with other citizens and the Stewardship Committee, sent out postcards for feedback on the plan and made site visits.

The final concept plan includes:

- 2 protected wildlife areas
- a paved walking/jogging trail around entire park
- removing existing parking lot and adding a paved lot with more spaces
- moving the dog park to east and enhancing
- removing existing picnic shelter
- 2 new picnic shelters with the same capacity of the previous shelter
- restoration of Mt Scott Creek and fish habitats – increased buffer areas and increased shade
- 2 overlook areas – no places for people to go to the creek
- Oak/ash woodland with successional planting
- Bridge and new crossing across Camas Creek
- Changed traffic pattern in front of Milwaukie Center
- Access to the creek will be limited; opportunities will be planned
- Proposed educational signage

Hughes said hiring the Natural Resources Coordinator would be the next step to work with the site. He asked that the plan have designated areas that will be maintained by maintenance staff and the Coordinator. Healy said the District may be relying on volunteer groups and the Coordinator in addition to the maintenance crews. This is an ongoing issue. Hughes spoke to the buffer areas and areas behind fences designated as wildlife habitat areas. He would like to see responsibilities for these areas delineated. King said maintenance is an operational piece rather than a master plan or conceptual plan piece. Healy said that what Hughes is saying can be written into the master plan. It just doesn't need to be detailed. Hughes said he is only asking for conceptual language and staff can work out the details. Hanthorn said that pages 23, 24 and 25 of the plan have most of the language needed (section on Restoration). Rose said maintenance crews have a clear delineation of where to work and where not to work.

Trotter asked if the intent of the plan is to two additional covered shelters. Rose said yes, that a number of citizens requested individual covered tables. It will increase the cost of the renovation to include these.

Shook said he noticed tire prints from maintenance vehicles all over north side of the park. He asked if it was possible to try to keep maintenance vehicles on the pathways. Rose said the pathways were not designed for vehicles. Small maintenance vehicles ("mules") could use pathways if they were built a little sturdier. Pathways are not intended for regular-sized vehicles.

Walden said the City of Happy Valley is very pleased with some pre-fabricated bridges they bought to cross Mt. Scott Creek that are made from recycled materials. Shook said a company in Sandy makes pre-fabricated bridges that work well.

King asked for a motion to recommend sending the proposed concept plan to the BCC with the recommendation for approval. Hughes said he has not read it thoroughly enough to move it forward. Healy asked if the DAB could say the concept plan is okay and the board can work further on the written report later. Johnson said she is still not happy with the traffic in front of the Milwuakie Center. She suggested that the road go around the sculpture to the parking lot. She is concerned because of the age of the Milwaukie Center's customers. Speed bumps that were removed from the parking lot were not replaced and are needed to slow traffic. Healy said the plans call for more traffic calming solutions. Johnson asked for more lights in the new parking lot. King agreed that pedestrian safety is a priority. Shook said there should be a sidewalk on the west side of parking lot so people don't have to walk through the parking lot. This is included in the plan. Trotter said parking lots should be lit and it is an unsafe situation if it is not sufficiently lit. Healy said the proposal to incorporate some calming devices plus the revision to the beginning of the parking lot will help a lot. The new plan will make the parking lot safer than it is now.

Hughes said plans for a site that is owned by the City of Milwaukie and need to go to the City. Healy said the plans will go to the City.

Shook said the off-leash dog area was not supposed to expand and become a regional dog park area. The Parks District was to look for additional dog park sites. He said he is concerned that with the improvements, this will become a regional dog park area. Healy said Happy Valley Community Park and Harmony Park have been looked at with the idea of using part of the parks for off-leash dog areas. She said the concerns with barking dogs were found to be dogs outside of the park in the mornings. The caretaker is interested in helping with this problem.

Trotter: said the process for this side of the park has gone smoothly due to outreach and the work by Healy and others. He asked if there are there any major issues in the plan that will change the document. Hughes said he is ready to agree on the plan, but needs more time to read the document. The concept needs to move forward.

Trotter moved to recommend to the BCC that the concept plan presented be approved subject to review by the City of Milwaukie. Hanthorn seconded the motion.

Discussion: Trotter said this gives the board time to review the document without delaying the project.
APPROVED unanimously.

Healy asked for comments from the board as they read through the draft concept plan document. A lot of design work is needed to move the project forward. Healy said Phase 1 could happen in the next year or two (includes a trail, signage, dog run move and restoration, for example).

6. Metro Local Share

Healy said $2.4 million has been allocated by bond measure. There are seven potential projects. Each project requires a lot of paperwork and approvals. She suggested that if three projects were designated to use Metro money, the amount of paperwork and number of approvals needed would be reduced. Healy said all projects would still be done; this would just change how the funding is allocated. She said the money would be spent for development at NCP and Stringfield and acquisition of Rock Creek Park. Zinzer said $6 million would be used from bonds for acquisition of Rock Creek Park.

Foy arrived at 7:02 P.M.

Morrow moved to approve this change. Hughes seconded the motion. APPROVED unanimously.

7. Milwaukie Center Annual Report

Young presented the Milwaukie Center Annual Report for 2006-07. The report includes areas served, people served, expenditures, revenues, programs and services, etc. A Cost of Services report was done in 2004 that shows what it costs to provide services and another will be done in about a year.

Trotter said the age of the facility is 27 years and the new addition from 1993 is not included in the report. He said he is always amazed at the amount of services provided at the Center with the amount of staff we have. He thanked the staff. Young said they also have many volunteers.

Hughes asked if the fundraising has turned around the finances for the Nutrition program. Young said the reserve account is growing and the program finished in the black last year. The third annual March for Meals is this year. Young said staff is working hard on a great fundraising campaign. Last year's March for Meals made over $16,000. This year's goal is $25,000 and the campaign includes partnering with local businesses. The March for Mutts will be on March 1 around North Clackamas Park.

Zinzer said people there are always excited about what is going on at the Center and the staff does a great job.

King asked about the number of meals served at the Center. Young said the Older Americans Act meal is provided for anyone 60 or older by donation provided at the Center. The café is a separate enterprise. She said the New Year's party was wonderful but poorly attended, so it won't be done again.

8. Harmony Vision Plan

Healy gave an update on the Harmony Vision Plan for 100 acres including the Aquatic Park, Harmony Park (Three Creeks area), OIT, CCC's new nursing program building, and a fitness facility at the Aquatic Park. CCC would like to make other improvements, and the County wants to make road improvements.

The Harmony Unified Vision is that Harmony will be a model for sustaining the County and the region. The primary purpose of the site will be to increase opportunities for community members to learn, to enhance health and fitness, to observe and enjoy nature and to gather with families.

Healy presented some of the feedback received from the public for use of Harmony Park. Transportation was one of the subjects. Planning for the road has been a difficult process. The situation is that if we want to add to the Aquatic Park, we don't have the infrastructure to support it. Harmony, Sunnyside and SE 82nd are all in failure. Zinzer said unless we can improve these roads conditional use permits will not be approved. Foy asked about the traffic report, and what improvements the fitness facility capacity would require. Zinzer said that they look at concurrency and capacity issues, so there is no way to say what the capacity costs would be alone. He said the way the ordinance reads is that if a trip is added the failing intersection has to be fixed or build a single capital improvement that is in the County's CIP that is worth at least $500,000. Hughes asked what operational failure means. Zinzer said .failure is based on gap analysis, timing spent on the road – operational failure. Hughes asked if the District is being asked to pay for any expansion for capacity increases. Zinzer said yes, unless capacity issues are fixed through the Harmony project. Trotter said these have been long-term problems that the District will either have to piggyback onto another project, or wait for the County to fix

it. Zinzer said the partner who is willing to build the fitness facility is not willing to also build a parking garage and improve roads. Zinzer said there are four alternatives to where Sunnybrook will go.

King asked when Phase 1 is done, how is parking going to work by Aquatic Park. Zinzer said the parking will be open for all to use without designation

Keene said the area below the Aquatic Park is basically a wetland and we are in the process to figure out what can be done there. He asked when we will know what we can have there rather than what we want there. Healy said the park planning will come after a natural resource assessment.

Shook said it was important to understand that the visioning process is different that the roads project. There is a committee working on the road project. The committee says they do not want the road to go by the Aquatic Park.

King said the next visioning meeting will be on Jan 24 at OIT at 5:30 pm.

Foy asked if the park land is still polluted. Shook said dirt was spread and planted with trees and plants. Zinzer said that DEQ says no further remediation is needed. Keene said he took a tour of Harmony Park and encouraged others to take the tour, too. Shook said the next tour will be on Sunday at 2 p.m. interested people will meet at the Aquatic Park and walk through the park together. Healy said she is going to walk the park as part of the design process. The County is going to respond to what can be done with the road.

Foy said it is a moot point to continue planning if the traffic issues do not get resolved. Loomis talked about the alternative plans for the road. There are four options with one being "no build." Zinzer said money is available for Sunnybrook, but not Linwood. Trotter said the ones who need the roads are not the people who live there. The ones coming to the meetings are the neighbors who do not want the road. Trotter said he believes Sunnybrook will be extended. Foy said he is confident that Harmony road will be improved.

9. South County Advisory Board

Zinzer said the Molalla City Council is going to sign a resolution to approve inclusion in the District. One of the questions that has been asked is "how would we provide the advisory committee to the south part of the district?" They want to know how they will get represented. Would they have representatives on the exiting board, a separate board for south county, or equal representation on the existing board? Zinzer asked for a discussion about the way to go with the advisory committee if Molalla annexes into the District.

Foy said it should be the same way as Happy Valley – add representatives to the existing board. Zinzer said the existing board has equal representation east and west of I-205. Hughes asked if the population was the same. Zinzer said the population for Molalla is roughly the size of Milwaukie, but in a larger land area. Hughes said representation

could be based on population size. Zinzer said the Cities appoint a representative, the Milwaukie Center appoints a representative, and the balance of the other representatives is equally divided between east and west.

Hughes said the existing board is a functioning board and he doesn't think adding a few would be too big. King said two of the current positions will be sunsetting in a year, so adding two positions would bring the size of the board back to where it is now. Walden said having two advisory boards is a bad idea. Hughes and Foy agreed.

King said that if Molalla joins, they need to be an equal partner which means the board would meet in Molalla sometimes. If there are two boards, one representative from each board would sit on the other board to provide the crossover.

Trotter said this board talks about the District as a whole rather than about their own areas. He said two boards in a district will cause conflicts. Zinzer said the County Parks board used to have 15 members for years and now has 12 members.

Hughes asked what Molalla says they need. Zinzer said they are interested in annexing to the District. They are just looking at a trust issue; how to keep the money from Molalla in Molalla. Before IGAs are written, he wanted a discussion about the right way to approach it. Hughes said consensus is to have one board and they are looking forward to having new members from Molalla and maybe Canby. Zinzer said Estacada may be coming into the district before Canby.

Hughes asked staff to come back to DAB with a proposal for creating the board and adopt a policy that says how we are going to accommodate the growth. Zinzer said the IGA will be with Molalla itself and they will want to know what the makeup of the board will be. An IGA is needed before the district vote in May.

Walden said Molalla may want to talk with Happy Valley about what the process was like for them. Zinzer said that at the time of signing the resolution, a couple of DAB members might want to be present. Mitchell said it is helpful to be a part of a larger group because you can learn from each other and realize you are part of a much larger community. Trotter said the advantage that we just went through this with Happy Valley and have a great example of how this is done, both with the IGA and in building the board. Foy said there haven't been major conflicts about where the money is spent in the District. Trotter said he agrees to have a policy that this is the preference of the board to have one board with equal representation. He said this will help Zinzer in discussions with cities interested in annexation. Trotter said Hughes had a great suggestion for staff to come back to the DAB with an appropriate methodology and by-laws are an appropriate place to put policy about expansions in the district.

10. Director's Comments

- Kandi Ho presented a draft of field policies, procedures and fees. Information for DAB and will come back next meeting for action. Foy said the revenue from concession stand was sizable even in a partial year. Part of revenue is given to

teams who volunteer at the concession stand to help with the cost of using the fields. Zinzer said 1/3 of net is given to Nutrition program, 1/3 to teams who volunteer, and 1/3 to the District. Trotter said schools charge more for fields that are lighted. Fields are booked at NCP for the season. Staff will be meeting with teams soon and they are expecting fees at some fields. Fees proposed are based on market fees. Zinzer said the fee schedule will be discussed further at the next DAB meeting and hopefully a recommendation for the BCC.

- Interviews held for Natural Resources coordinator are complete There were very good applicants. Someone will be chosen soon. Hughes participated in the interviews.

11. Board Members' Comments

- King said new budget committee members need to be appointed. There is one new applicant to interview, and a recommendation will be brought to the DAB next month. Foy, Morrow and King will do the interview. Questions are needed from Roy Wall.
- The next meeting is scheduled on Valentine's Day – King asked if it could be changed. The meeting was moved to Feb 7.
- Shook said on Dec 6 he went to the Geographic Board about the naming of Camas Creek. It will take about a year for official recognition.
- Keene encouraged all to join either tour of Harmony Park on Sunday.
- Foy asked about the funding for Stringfield Park. Charlie Ciecko has worked most closely on this project. Staff will update on this project at the next DAB meeting.

12. Adjournment

King adjourned the District Advisory Board meeting at 8:32 p.m.

NORTH CLACKAMAS PARKS AND RECREATION DISTRICT
District Advisory Board Meeting
May 8, 2008
Milwaukie Center

DAB members present:
Renee King, Chair
Kristin Mitchell, Vice Chair
Michael Morrow
Don Trotter
Mart Hughes
Molly Hanthorn
Dick Shook
Jerry Foy
Marylee Walden
Ron Keene

Budget Committee members present:
Jerry Foy
Macy Gast
Eric Shawn

Staff members present:
Dan Zinzer, Director
Gary Barth, Deputy Director
Roy Wall, Administrative Services Manager
Michelle Healy, Senior Planner
Joan Young, Milwaukie Center Director
Kandi Ho, Aquatics and Recreation Manager
Tonia Burns, Natural Resources Coordinator
Beth Meyer, Recreation Supervisor
Robin Bruce, Administrative Assistant

Citizens: JoAnn Herrigel, City of Milwaukie
3 citizens

1. Call to Order
Renee King, Chair, called the District Advisory Board meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

2. Citizen Participation
None

3. Minutes of the April 10, 2008 DAB meeting
Molly Hanthorn moved to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2008, DAB meeting as written. Don Trotter seconded the motion. APPROVED Marylee Walden abstained because she did not attend the April meeting.

4. Amphitheater Presentation

Neil Nedilisky, 27044 SW Pete's Mountain Rd., West Linn 97068, is the developer of Eagle Landing. He came before the board to talk about a proposed amphitheater project at Eagle Landing. Nedilisky asked for the recreation SDCs to use on site to use for recreational facilities. He predicted that about 10,000 people will be using the Eagle Landing acres; a very densely populated area. The public meeting about the amphitheater did not receive any opposition except one person who was concerned about the noise. He said this project would finish the development in this area.

Nedilisky appealed to the board to consider moving forward with an amphitheater on this site. He said this summer would be an ideal time for construction. The project would provide needed storage and restrooms on site; sewer, water and sprinkling services are in place. He said there is a window of opportunity to work on the park before he begins work on a large project beginning in about 18 months. Nedilisky said he believes the amphitheater would be an asset to the community.

Walden asked for orientation of the visuals (handouts). Nedilisky explained the larger project that will be built on the current site of New Hope Church.

King asked if the amphitheater will be a sufficient size. Nedilisky said this is the largest piece of land in the area that would accommodate 1000-1500 people. He said there are 5600 parking stalls within walking distance to the amphitheater.

Zinzer said the project will cost between $500,000 to $600,000, so the request is for SDC credits in that amount to build the amphitheater including restrooms, storage and parking.

Foy asked how SDCs would be invested in the project. Zinzer said the project would be built first and then the District would not collect the SDC credits up to the amount of the project. The down side is that the SDCs that would have been collected could have been used for other projects.

Zinzer said what is needed is an opinion of the board to either move forward on the project, knowing the District would forego using the SDCs in the future.

Shook asked about the maintenance agreement. Nedilisky said he would extend the existing agreement and his company would manage the amphitheater.

Zinzer said staff would get the details of the project, look at the agreement, cost savings, and the timing of SDC credits. Trotter also asked to address the parking issue.

Walden said the project is not on the 5-year CIP list at this time. Zinzer said it is in the 20-year CIP.

Foy asked about the timing of the project. Nedilisky said the project could be completed by September 2008. But if the decision isn't made until later, construction would have to be postponed until next spring.

Foy said Nedilisky has done an exemplary job and has honored the agreement regarding maintenance.

King said the board will revisit this issue at the June meeting as an action item.

5. Budget Item Changes

Roy Wall presented changes to the budget that was approved at the last DAB meeting. The changes are:

- Office rent for the new building in Oregon City was added
- Service sharing agreement was reduced by $200,000 from County Parks.
- Moved $200,000 from Contingency to line items that would be affected.
- $71,000 in sponsorship revenues recognized in Cash Receipts.
- Recognized a beginning fund balance in Districtwide SDCs going into next year.
- Correction of a formula error between Zone 3 SDCs and Capital Improvements.

On May 29 the budget is going before the budget committee which includes the three commissioners and three citizen members.

Michael Morrow moved to recommend approval of the budget as amended. Don Trotter seconded the motion.

Discussion:

Foy asked for clarification of the SDC adjustment. Wall forecasts that the District will receive $104,000 more than expected in SDCs.

Wall also explained the cut in service sharing revenues. Zinzer said the County had to cut general fund support, so $200,000 was cut from NCPRD. He said the District will track services to the County better. Zinzer said money cannot legally flow from the District to the County, but money can come to the District from the County.

King asked about the higher rent. Wall explained that administration is moving to the new building in Oregon City and the rent is higher.

Roy explained the clerical error in the proposed budget – it was caused by a formula error in the spreadsheet used to build the budget

Trotter said the service sharing agreement was a great service for NCPRD.

APPROVED unanimously

6. 162nd Ave Park Update

Michelle Healy presented an update on the 162nd Ave project. A public meeting was held last week that was attended by 60 to 80 people. Attendees were excited about the property. Staff has been collecting comments from public meetings, the project Web site, telephone calls and from mailings. The highest priority for citizens so far was for playing fields, then a community center and a skateboard park. The consultant on this project is using this information, making a site analysis, and looking at existing house to see if it can be used in whole or part as a community center. The second public meeting will be held on May 20 where there will be different concepts for people to consider. Staff is looking for consensus or some preferences of what people want to see at this park, and which projects to do first. There are opportunities to work with the school district to do some elements on their site. Staff is meeting with school district staff every two weeks and will go to schools to talk with students about what they would like to see in the park.

Shook asked if a new high school was included in the plans. King said the middle school site will be turned into a high school in the future. Zinzer Public said there should be shared opportunities for shared fields. Zinzer said we are looking for opportunities to share elements like parking. We would place parking in an area that works for the school, too, since we need parking at different times.

Foy asked if the District has a formal agreement with Harper Houf. Healy said we do for planning. The selection committee chose Harper Houf from three resondents to the RFP. Foy asked about the timing of the project. He said we should be taking advantage of the excavation contractor while they are on site. Zinzer said the school district has 30,000 yards of dirt to get off their site and we need about 50,000 yards. We could save about $600,000 if they could dump the dirt on our site and we know where to put it.

Keene asked what the planning process is post-May 20. Healy said the City of Happy Valley will be updated, and then staff will come back to the DAB in June. Zinzer said to begin the district would need a plan and permits before beginning. King said she has heard that we are letting the school's need to move dirt to push our design process. Zinzer said he doesn't think this is the case. He said if we can get two good concepts by the May 20 meeting, and then run it through the political process we can have use of the fields next summer. If the window of opportunity is missed this year, we will miss a year's worth of use.

Keene said he understands the need to save money. He participated in the last public meeting and felt they didn't use a good way to select projects. Most attendees represented specific interests. He said he doesn't trust that this represents what the general public wants. Keene said in addition to the public forum there should be a more scientific method of finding out what the community wants. Mitchell said we have an opportunity to join a survey that the City of Happy Valley is going to conduct. She said they need the appropriate questions to find out what we need. Mitchell said she has the impression that there is a much longer process, like the North Clackamas Park. This is our biggest project on the east side and we want to get it right and Mitchell says she knows fields are necessary.

Foy said the process can be frustrating for boards because all of the members are somewhat activists. He said the reality is that a small number of people will represent the community and will be the decision makers. Foy said there is not a survey of the general Parks District, just in Happy Valley. He said he doesn't think the survey will show anything different than what we have right now. Keene said he disagreed. He said the types of sports that will be addressed first will change. Foy said that no matter what happens on the field, the dirt will be needed.

Trotter said the first concept plan might give an idea of where the dirt is needed. There is time to do surveys and they should be broader. He said he believes this park will be built next spring.

Keene said he is not concerned about the dirt. He is only concerned with the process of what is ultimately going to be there. He is concerned that we will make a decision over a short period of time.

Hughes said he is hearing that the plan is not thought out well and we may be getting ahead of ourselves if we get material we don't know that we need. Zinzer said we only need the dirt if we are building fields.

Brent Palmer, co-owner of Novakane (a skateboard store), said he is a proponent of building a skate park. He said he agrees with Ron that we need to get a broad idea of what should be in the park. Palmer said it is important to look at the phasing of the park and what the goals are of the park are in the future. Building a skate park a priority and he said he wants a plaza style multi purpose park. Palmer said there are grants and other funding available for a project like this. He said ideally the plaza style of skate park needs about 30,000 to 40,000 sq ft at about one-third the cost of a transition park. The cost for a large park could be $300,000 which could be granted and funded outside of the District's budget.

King said as we look at the 5-year plan, this information may move plan elements around.

Trotter said the board needs to know what Phase 1 at 162nd Ave would include. Zinzer said Phase I is based on the amount of money we have now from SDCs and the bond sale. Trotter said he doesn't think the park could be done this year.

Foy said there need to be a better path to what the community wants, but that process needs to be done right away. He said we should take the dirt and give some liberties to the consultant and have them act on the information we have.

Zinzer said with a master plan, we could have grading permits this summer. Keene asked what the down-side is of moving dirt. Zinzer said it costs every time you move it. Trotter said the consultants should be able to say by June 1 approximately where to put the dirt. Trotter said the elements are going to take about the same amount of space and the time

is going to be spent in deciding on the details. The big question is going to be on the phasing. Zinzer said the components are known so it's just a matter of layout.

Keene said he wants a broader base for making a decision than 50 or 60 people who show up for a meeting. The survey seems objective. King said she heard that it should be broader than Happy Valley.

Mitchell asked about an end date for grading permits. Zinzer said it would have to happen no later than mid-August.

Trotter said he has been involved in six scientific surveys. He said not to expect a tremendous amount of responses. The people living around the park will respond as well as the activists, but most people do not respond. Healy said the District has a Master plan including a scientific survey. The return was 12-percent. Twenty percent is considered very high. Barth said a longer period of surveying results in the same information than if a shorter period of time is taken.

Trotter said the District's master plan is exhaustive and should be revisited. Zinzer said the Happy Valley plan is folded into it. Copies of the master plan will be distributed to members who don't already have one.

7. Five-year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

Zinzer said the 2008/09 proposed budget includes Year One of this CIP. Healy explained the graphs that were handed out to members. The graphs included projects and amounts to be spent in separate years and one graph is a compilation of all five years.

Healy said that money that is not spent on projects in this year will carry over to next year. Healy reviewed projects outlined for 2009/10.

JoAnn Herrigel, City of Milwaukie, proposed that the District commit to contributing $500,000 for Riverfront Park starting in 2009 (allocated in the CIP). It is at 50-percent design. Riverfront Park is 82-percent SDC eligible. It also shares a connection with the Trolley Trail at Jefferson Street and along McLoughlin Blvd. If the money is not needed in 2009, it will be held over to the next year. Herrigel has applied for grants for this project and will only use the District's money if the grants are not awarded.

King asked if everything we want is in the CIP and for the right funding for the right years. Trotter said the Riverfront Park is not in the CIP. Zinzer said it is in the CIP, but not in the first five years.

Foy asked if the162nd Ave park satisfies the requirement with Happy Valley for a community park. Zinzer said IGA identifies a community park near the Rock Creek area. Happy Valley hasn't signed off on the IGA saying this park fulfills this requirement, but it sounds like it would. Further acquisitions in Happy Valley include properties needed to provide 4- to 6-acre local parks as listed in the merged CIP.

There was a discussion about changes to the CIP including $500,000 for Riverfront and additional phases for North Clackamas Park. If the money for Riverfront Park is not used in 2009-2010, it would be rolled over to the next year.

Trotter said the District may need to think about bond measures again. He said we need to spend some money on regional facilities on the west side of I-205. The community park project is a regional project and using partnerships is a better use of our money. If we have so many projects needed in the District, we may want to start thinking about bonding again to fund them. Mitchell said to be careful of the perception in the community that a lot of projects have been completed on the west side and this is the first large project on the east side.

King said it might be a problem if while annexing additional communities we go out for bonds.

Walden said we should consider selling the property at 122nd because there might be enough money there to fund some of the projects. Zinzer said staff will have the property appraised.

Hughes said he would like to see a recommendation to bring in the Milwaukie project and get them on the list, and then stall could work on how to fund them.

Staff will look at the 122nd property and see how to include Riverfront Park in the CIP.

8. Appoint a Nominating Committee

A nominating committee was formed to find DAB officers for 2008-2009.

Hughes, Shook and Morrow volunteered to be the committee to nominate a chair and vice-chair. They will bring a recommendation to the June DAB meeting.

9. North Side Plan; Phase I Improvements

Tonia Burns presented Phase I priorities and costs for the north side planning of North Clackamas Park.

DAB was asked for input regarding the prioritization of project items as presented. Burns said there is a strong possibility of other funding for some of the items. The amount allocated for Phase I is $400,000, but the cost is estimated at $738,400. The Stewardship Committee was integral in deciding what the priorities are.

Foy said the contingency amount of $170,000 is huge (30% of the cost). Hughes said costs are high, especially the Camas Creek vehicle crossing and fencing. He said the assumption that the removal of invasives would to be done by volunteers should be changed to include professionals in the first phase. There is a need to use herbicides at the beginning and volunteers can't do that part. Healy said the numbers are very rough and are conservative for planning purposes. Shook said there is nothing in the CIP for the

next 5 years in the phases. He said we are doing a little bit and then nothing for a long time. King said she would like to see more allocation over the next five years.

Trotter said the design work has not been done, so he suggested getting the design work done and then with better numbers come back to DAB and ask to prioritize the items. He said bonding could get some of the work done.

King asked the DAB if they want staff to look at allocating funds in additional years other than year one. The board agreed that they did.

Foy said to get the design done and then assign costs. He said he believes the cost is two-thirds of what is listed. Foy said to run a rough number with a contractor with the conceptual design. Hughes said there are some items on the list that don't need design and would rather see the money spent on installation of the project.

10. Director's Comments

- Molalla excited about joining the District. There is a lot of effort in the community toward annexation.
- The Library District vote will be in November.
- Some of the new commissioners may be known after the primary in May and can start orientation soon after.

11. Board Member Comments

- Shook made invited members to attend Great Heron Week – 89-acres hike around Mt. Scott Creek with the Tsunami Crew (Chris Runyard). It will take 2 to 3 hours.
- Burns said that on May 20, additional outdoor work activities and every third Tues.
- Mitchell said there will be a community event held by the Y with Providence. Fun run and walkers on June 7.

12. Adjournment

The District Advisory Board meeting was adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

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NORTH CLACKAMAS PARKS AND RECREATION DISTRICT
District Advisory Board meeting
January 8, 2009 – 5 p.m.
Happy Valley City Hall

DAB members present:
Kristin Mitchell, Chair
Michael Morrow, Vice Chair
Eleanor Johnson
Marylee Walden
Dick Shook
Susan McCarty
Jerry Foy
Mart Hughes

Staff members present:
Dan Zinzer, Director
Gary Barth, Deputy Director
Joan Young, Milwaukie Center Director
Michelle Healy, Senior Planner
Kathy Shay, Administrative Services Manager
Pam Girtman, Community Relations Specialist
Kandi Ho, Aquatic and Recreation Manager
Jason Kemmerich, Aquatic Supervisor
Beth Meyer, Recreation Supervisor
Robin Bruce, Office Supervisor

1. Call to Order
Kristin Mitchell, Chair, called the District Advisory Board meeting to order at 5:07 p.m.

2. Welcome to Susan McCarty

3. Citizen Participation
None

4. Approval of Minutes from November 6, 2008
Marylee Walden moved to approve the minutes from the November 6, 2008 DAB meeting, Dick Shook seconded the motion. APPROVE Susan McCarty abstained from voting because she was not at the last meeting. All other approved.

5. Reappointment of C/CAB Members
Joan Young presented applications from Ben Tabler and Kim Buchholz for reappointment to the Center/Community Advisory Board (C/CAB). The C/CAB voted unanimously to reappoint these members.

Renee King moved to recommend to the BCC approval of Ben Tabler and Kim Buchholz's reappointments to the C/CAB. Eleanor Johnson seconded the motion. APPROVED unanimously.

Foy arrived at 5:10 p.m.

6. Recommendation from the DAB regarding Alcohol and Smoking Policy

Dan Zinzer presented the current park rules regarding alcohol use with a permit in District parks. The City of Happy Valley does not allow alcohol in Happy Valley parks. Zinzer said he would like a recommendation to BCC to meet with the Happy Valley City Council to modify their ordinance to allow alcohol use in District parks operated in Happy Valley, like the 162nd Avenue park with concessions. This is an adult ball park and we would like to offer beer during adult tournaments.

Renee asked why it needs to be reaffirmed. Zinzer said because Happy Valley was not a part of the planning for this park. The District needs a recommendation for the BCC from the DAB.

Jerry Foy moved to recommend to the BCC to meet with the Happy Valley City Council to ask them to modify their ordinance to allow alcohol use in District parks operated in Happy Valley. Renee King seconded the motion.

Discussion:
Happy Valley is in process of redoing some of the ordinances including serving alcohol sometimes in Happy Valley parks. They are also looking at a no smoking policy in Happy Valley parks. Zinzer said the District would like to have the opportunity through permits to have alcohol in District parks and to allow smoking in designated areas.

This is an issue if private concessionaires cannot serve alcohol. There would be loss of good will for groups who would like to have alcohol at weddings and other functions, or at events like the 4th of July. Eagle Landing is in Happy Valley, so a permit would be needed in the possible amphitheater.

Mitchell asked if this policy would be limited to events. Zinzer said when we are going to operate an event, then it would be adult events only. If the park is booked for an outside event, the group will need to get a permit.

Walden asked if there was a liability issue. Zinzer said the liability is covered. Permits require insurance from the group reserving the space. The Milwaukie Center requires additional fees and cleanup deposits besides naming the District as "also insured" on their insurance.

Zinzer said the hope is that Happy Valley will adopt the District's ordinance.

APPROVED Johnson voted against the motion. All others approved.

Foy got clarifications on the minutes of the last meeting.

7. 2007/2008 Milwaukie Center Annual Report

Joan Young presented the Milwaukie Center Annual Report for FY 2008.
King asked if any program area grew or decreased significantly. Young said there was growth in the numbers of classes because of the new recreation supervisor, Beth Meyer. When the school cistrict stopped providing community education, the Milwaukie Center picked up some of that need. The need for Social Services has grown, as well.

Shook asked if there was going to be a document shredding day at the Center. Young said it will be held either in late spring or early summer.

Zinzer commended Young and Girtman (through media attention) for getting volunteers out for Meals on Wheels during the snow days. The Milwaukie Center was closed for two weeks because of weather.

Walden said the Milwaukie Center programs are a source of pride for the District and that the services provided and the way staff interacts is commendable.

8. Project Updates

Michelle Healy presented updates on park projects.

- 162nd Avenue park:
  - Healy showed pictures of the project.
  - The house on the property can be used for events (6,000 sq. ft.), meeting space and part can be used for the caretaker.
  - The District has signed a sales agreement for the two acres with pond that adjoined the park.
  - The contract for site development has been signed for $6.2 million. Nine bids were received. Bernhardt was awarded the contract. The contract does not include the concession building. There will need to be an amendment to the original contract for the concession stand.
  - Contractors are putting in utilities, retaining walls and roads.
  - The project is on target for completion on July 11.
  - The District met with the school district to agree on an IGA including each district's contributions to the projects. The school district hasn't responded yet.
  - Mitchell asked for a list of phases before the next meeting.
  - The skate park will be designed this summer and may be built next summer.
  - SDCs are not coming in as much as needed. The phasing of this project is dependent on revenues received.
  - Naming the park: may have it sponsored.
- Harmony project:
  - Healy has been meeting with community groups, the neighborhood association, Chamber of Commerce, etc. She is still in process of holding public meetings.

    - The road discussion has changed. Now there is a local approach with a broader master plan for the site.
    - There are some concerns about trees and the natural areas on this site. She will meet with the Tsunami group and others about these concerns.
    - Support education opportunities
    - Smaller footprint for Sunnybrook
    - Public process will continue.
    - DAB may be invited to some meetings as well.
- Trolley Trail
    - At 60-percent design for this project
    - $4.5 million for design and construction costs
    - Grants and SDCs
    - Contentions with people along the right-of-way
    - Light rail is an issue.
    - WES went to the BCC last month with a recommendation that the sewer pipe not go through the Trolley Trail. After some discussion, the BCC asked WES to relook at using the Trolley Trail. There will be another study session on this issue Jan. 27 to talk about this.
    - The District is comfortable that NCPRD can build with existing funds.
    - Foy said there could be a savings of $2 million for the Trolley Trail if WES puts the sewer pipe along the Trolley Trail. He asked why the District would choose not to use the money on the trail. Zinzer said Sewer District 1 customers would have to pay $3 million more. A decision will be made at the end of January. It's a good deal for us but not them.
    - Walden asked how long we have been working on this project. Healy said the concept has been around since the District was formed in 1992. Metro purchased the trail in 2001. The project is in the permitting phase now and NCPRD will start on the parts it can.
- North side of North Clackamas Park:
    - This project is in the land use process with the City of Milwaukie.
    - The first phase will relocate the dog run, build a bridge over Camas Creek, do some landscaping and build trails.
    - The pre-application will be submitted this month, then can submit the land use application.
    - Hoping to have it designed and construction started by Aug. 31.
    - Restoration work on Mt. Scott and Camas creeks
    - Johnson said she wants to know that traffic and crossing safety is part of the plan. Healy assured her that it is.
- Stringfield Family Park:
    - Oregon 150 event
    - Will officially dedicate the park May 16
    - Master Gardeners have a space in the park.

Hughes arrived at 6:02 p.m.

9. Director's Comments

- Budget presentations to the DAB will be held in April. King said she felt presentations were rushed last year and would like more detail this year.
- Interviews were held for the new county commissioner; Bob Austin was sworn in today.
- If Martha Schrader is appointed as senator to replace State Sen. Kurt Schrader, another commissioner will be appointed.

10. Board Members' Comments

- Shook: The north end of North Clackamas Park was closed because of high water. The Gator is tearing up the grass. He suggests replacing the Gator with an electric vehicle with turf tires.
- King: Thanked Beth Meyer personally for her help.
- Walden asked what the District had planned for the 122nd Avenue property. Zinzer said the District has an appraisal for $1.2 million. Letters were sent to park neighbors and the BCC, but have not heard any comments. Request of the board to see if the property was sold would there be problems for neighbors. Could put on the market. Walden: how hard would it be to turn into a community garden? Just under 3 acres. Long and narrow without good access. Shook: good suggestion. Z: will update next month.
- Thanks were given to Marylee Walden for hosting this meeting in the new Happy Valley City Hall.

11. Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the DAB meeting at 6:40 p.m.

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NORTH CLACKAMAS PARKS AND RECREATION DISTRICT
DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD
June 11, 2009 - 5:30 p.m.
Clackamas Community College Harmony Campus

DAB members present:
Kristin Mitchell, Chair
Michael Morrow, Vice Chair
Mart Hughes
Dick Shook
Susan McCarty
Jerry Foy
Renee King
Marylee Walden
Eleanor Johnson

Staff present:
Dan Zinzer, Director
Gary Barth, Deputy Director
Jason Kemmerich, Aquatics Supervisor
Kandi Ho, Aquatic Park Manager
Pam Girtman, Community Relations Supervisor
Kevin Cayson, Parks Maintenance Supervisor
Joan Young, Milwaukie Center Director
Tonia Burns, Natural Resources Coordinator
Michelle Healy, Senior Planner
Rose Jessee, Planning Coordinator
Joe Loomis, Recreation Supervisor

Citizens present:
Pat Russell
Robert Shields

1. Call to Order
Kristin Mitchell, Chair, called the District Advisory Board (DSB) meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. Citizen Participation
Pat Russell, 16358 SE Parkwood Place; Clackamas, OR:

- COM sent letter expressing concern of any road expansion through the Harmony Three Creeks area to the Board of County Commissioners.
- .Russell said that dog-sensitive lands are receiving more attention than dogs need in our district and said North Clackamas Park may not be an acceptable location. Russell said the DAB needs to advocate for two other locations east and west of I-205.

- Russell is forming a citizen's watershed counsel. He asked that the DAB advocate for the success of the counsel.

Robert Shields 3890 SE Sunset Ct; Milwaukie, OR:

- Shields has been advocating for more community gardens and dog parks and is willing to organize volunteers to be involved in the community and provide any type of work to enhance natural areas.
- He is working to make Portland the first completely sustainable city in the nation.

3. Approval of Minutes from April 9, 2009

Walden made a motion for approval of the minutes as amended below. Shook and Mitchell abstained because they did not attend the April meeting. All others APPROVED.

Shook noted a typo on page six in the last paragraph.

King requested a copy of the letter regarding drainage at Happy Valley Park written by Morrow. Robin Bruce will get a copy from Mitchell and forward it to the DAB.

4. Naming of 162nd Avenue Park

Pam Girtman presented the informational packet including the county's naming policy and reviewed the naming process. She clarified that the naming policy does not include automatically naming the park after the former property owner.

King, Morrow and Mitchell were the members of the naming subcommittee. They were given all of the suggested names for the new park and narrowed the list down to five names.

Rock Creek - Mitchell and McCarty expressed concern about using Rock Creek in the name because there are too many landmarks with the same name in the surrounding area.

Foy asked about the Lehman name. Scouter's Mountain was mentioned but there is already a Boy Scout camp with the same name in the area. McCarty asked why none of the Sunnyside option made it on the list. Johnson asked that the DAB stay away from names that are hard to pronounce. Concern was expressed about the speed of the DAB's recommendation. King questioned the role of the subcommittee if the DAB makes its own separate recommendation. She said she prefers naming the park Rock Creek Clackamas.

Hughes moved to accept the five names chosen by the sub-committee. Shook seconded the motion and added that the names should be forwarded to the Happy Valley City Council.

Foy said he only wanted to send the top two choices to Happy Valley City Council.

Four DAB members voted in favor and five opposed. NOT PASSED.

Shook made a motion to make Rock Creek the first choice. Hughes seconded the motion. One member opposed the motion and all others APPROVED.

Foy made a motion to only submit the name Rock Creek. Hughes seconded the motion. One was in favor. All others opposed. NOT PASSED.

Hughes made a motion to submit Rock Creek Community Park as a second choice. Foy seconded the motion. Two members were in favor. Seven members opposed. NOT PASSED.

King moved to recommend Illahee as a second choice. Walden seconded the motion. Five members were in favor, three opposed and one member abstained (no reason noted). APPROVED.

Public comment: Robert Shields said that regardless of the name, the DAB should make sure the name contains the word "community."

Girtman will present Rock Creek, Illahee and Hood View as potential park names to the City of Happy Valley. Walden will amend the agenda for the Happy Valley City Council to add the park name presentation.

5. Capital Projects

Michelle Healy presented an update on capital projects.

162nd Avenue Park:

- The park at 162nd Avenue is almost completed. The detention pond is a school district facility paid for by the school district.
- Zinzer said staff will return to the DAB after the summer to modify the capital plan based on SDCs and other situations.
- The cost estimate for the concessions building at 162nd Avenue park is about $700,000. Shook said he was concerned about the gutters missing from the building. It will be brought up with design review and architects.
- Public comment: Robert Shields asked if alternative energy sources were ever considered. Healy stated that alternatives were researched and found to be cost-prohibitive.
- King asked if birds would be nesting in the vent cover on the building top. She said we may need bird mitigation, and Healy said she will ask about it.
- Healy said the park is wired to have electric gates but there aren't any in place now.
- Johnson asked about supervision of the skate park. Recreation personnel, the park caretaker and the public will be present.
- King asked for an e-mail as soon as the grant determination about the skate park is made.

Trolley Trail:

- The Trolley Trail: 60-percent plans are done and the project is on track to start construction next spring. Healy and Clackamas County personnel are talking with TriMet and Metro to coordinate construction with them.
- Hughes asked what the status is of the Trolley Trail being connected with the Springwater Corridor Trail. Healy said funding is still being sought. The connection is in the regional transportation plan.
- An artist is creating an icon to be used with information about the Trolley Trail.
- Foy asked whether ODOT is OK with the Park Avenue easement.
- King asked about the steering committee. Healy said the committee is not active right now and there will be a new committee later.

Harmony/Three Creeks:

- Harmony Campus-Title 13 issues: Healy said the District is working on a plan that would allow some development and keep the project in line with Title13 requirements.
- Mitchell asked if the DAB will be presented with any other plans. Healy said there are none at this time.
- Hughes stated that a natural resources protection plan needs to be developed so the resources are identified and protected. Hughes said to start with protecting the natural resources and then see if trails can be added and still keep up the standards. There may need to be separate standards and treat Title 13 as the minimum requirements.
- Shook said he objects to any Frisbee golf on the site and that the 162nd Avenue park would be a better location for it. Mitchell agreed. Hughes said that through his work he has received public calls and a lot of environmental concerns.
- The road extension has not been approved by the BCC. The county's Development Agency has recommended approval. The BCC has not acted on any plans yet.
- The DAB's consensus is to advise against disk golf. McCarty said any money specifically for disc golf should be spent elsewhere.
- Hughes said any type of active use in natural areas degrades the natural resources to some extent. He said Harmony is one of the most valuable natural areas in this district and protection of this site should be a high priority. Shook said the picnic tables may not even be appropriate. He asked how dogs and garbage would be handled in this area.
- Foy asked if information from the experts on environmental reports and projected uses be available if the DAB is asked for input later. Tonia Burns, NCPRD's natural resources person, has been attending oak habitat training and events. She's been talking with experts in restoration and fire mitigation to create natural fire breaks. The goal is to work with contractors to dial in to these important needs and issues. The best thing for the area would be to invite good people in and keep transients and associated activity out of the area. Hughes said appropriate use of this site would be stewardship within the area to take care of and be educated by the site. Mitchell suggested educational opportunities could tie in with the CCC campus.

North Clackamas Park:

- Burns said the North Clackamas Park is a prime example of concept plans being conceptual. She then went over the current condition at the park.
- The north side plan timeline was presented reviewing the public input and budget determination. The public's priorities were the trail, bridge and interpretive signs.
- A land use meeting took place with the City of Milwaukie to act as co-applicant. Title 13 came up after the land use meeting. Requirements were referred to the county because they had adopted a modified version of Title 13 already but the City of Milwaukie hadn't.
- A majority of the north side is part of a high habitat conservation area and includes riparian buffer zones. It limits choices that we have for the area and it conflicts with the public consensus.
- The response from the City of Milwaukie was that they were working with Metro on their water quality areas. Land-use requirements are going to be the same as the application before and can proceed, but the proposal for the trail doesn't fit and needs to be modified. Existing conditions don't need to be changed to meet Title 13 requirements, just anything new. The completion of Phase 1 would meet the threshold for impervious services (for example).
- The dog park is very popular. There is no sure answer as to whether Title 13 will allow the dog park to be moved or modified. Foy said that these restrictions have been in place for a while. To get solid answers, submit the plan for approval to the City of Milwaukie.
- Everyone involved must be aware of the impervious surface threshold.
  Possible options:
  1. No action; transfer money
  2. More time to work with city
  3. Find another location for dog park
  4. Working with the public to find other options
  5. Removing the culvert only or removing culvert and installing the bridge.
  6. Push forward with the project

- Trail could easily be modified to natural cover and 4 feet wide. New trail plan would go through the dog area. Shook suggested that we get rid of the loop trail to the north or modify the location. King said she wants to wait for a thorough Title 13 interpretation and just remove culvert and build the bridge.
- Trail surface could be crushed gravel cover or other natural cover to not touch the impervious surface threshold.
- Milwaukie would like to adopt the final concept into their comprehensive plan, which is why the county has waited to submit the master concept plan.
- Hughes pointed out that natural resources is a priority with this or any modified plan.
- Foy asked if the public would agree with the trail, culvert and bridge if notified properly.
- Shook asked if some paving is removed, can it be added to or replaced later, or use other devices, like a fence.
- Dog people are very concerned about the dog park being lost.

- Mitchell said that if the top three tasks are done (culvert, bridge and trail), it wouldn't affect the dog park and not affect Title 13 thresholds.
- Burns said there is a need to abide by a long-term plan in any development.
- Hughes suggested taking the dog park out of North Clackamas Park and finding another area for the dog park.
- Walden suggested that maybe NCPRD should hold off and wait for the new CIP plan.
- There was a letter from the Milwaukie Parks Board to keep money for this project and move ahead.
- Shook and Burns stated advantages of removing the culvert.
- The consensus of the DAB was to move ahead with the culvert and bridge and check on the trail. They also requested that staff check on funding for repair of the dog park fence.
- Traffic calming issue in front of the Milwaukie Center: Burns met with Joe Marek, a traffic engineer with the county. Signage was fixed by Kevin Cayson. There were a lot of recommendations made by Marek. Specific recommendations were for a speed bump between the gate and the first right turn in front of the Milwaukie Center and a modified curb or striping the modified curb line. The next step is to go to DTD about costs and see how the Milwaukie Center wants to proceed. Eleanor said the proposal will slow people down, which made her like it..

Natural resources projects:

- School steward groups at Mt. Talbert and other projects. Burns would like to expand and continue the program.
- A comprehensive natural resources management plan for the district would be ideal.
- Burns presented the draft of the annual report.

6. **Director's comments:**
None

7. Board members' comments:
Shook: There will be a tour of the Three Creeks natural area this Saturday and a work party on Sunday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

8. **Adjournment**
Hughes made a motion to adjourn at 8:50 p.m. McCarty seconded the motion. PASSED unanimously.

This DAB meeting was recorded. Tapes of this meeting are available for the cost of duplication and handling. To order tapes, contact Robin Bruce, Administrative Assistant, at 503-742-4348 or by e-mail: robinbru@co.clackamas.or.us. Meeting minutes will be posted as soon as they are completed on the District's Web site: www.co.clackamas.or.us/ncprd. Copies are also available for the cost of duplication from Robin Bruce.

CLACKAMAS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Staff Presentation Worksheet

Presentation Date: April 22, 2008 Time: 9:30 am Length: 30 minutes

Presentation Title: Park Project Updates and Agreements

Department: Business and Community Services (BCS) – North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District and Clackamas County Parks

Presenters: Dan Zinzer BCS Director, Michelle Healy, Senior Planner

POLICY QUESTION: None, the following is primarily an update on a number of Clackamas County Parks and North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District projects.

ISSUES & BACKGROUND

Clackamas County Parks Projects:

A. *Springwater Trail planning and development, and the Boring Station Trailhead concept plan:* The planning process should begin in May 2008 for the trail and trailhead, with a number of public meetings to follow in the summer. An intergovernmental agreement (IGA) with the City of Portland for the trail development and long-term maintenance will be forthcoming this summer (see Exhibit 1).

B. *Hardscrabble Quarry (Madrone Wall):* Concept planning to begin this summer. Consultant selection underway and a contract will likely be coming to Board in May for approval (see Exhibit 2).

NCPRD Projects:

1. *SE 162nd Avenue community park planning and development*: Planning process and design work to begin in May. Consultant selection underway and a contract should come to the Board in May for approval. Staff coordinating with North Clackamas School District #12 (NC12) on shared use and development of facilities. An IGA with the NC12 will be developed and brought forward to the Board this summer for approval (see Exhibit 3).

2. *NC12 IGAs for athletic fields*: NCPRD is contributing funding for improvements to the athletic fields at Rex Putnam and Milwaukie high schools in exchange for community use of the facilities. The IGAs will be brought to the Board for signature in May (see Exhibit 4).

3. *Trolley Trail*: Design is underway. Public meetings to review 30% plans in April and May. Working towards construction by 2010. Metro has contacted NCPRD to

coordinate the trail design with light rail, and they have requested a letter from the District acknowledging this relationship. Staff will draft a letter for Board review and signature. A copy of letter from Metro is attached (Exhibit 5).

4. Clackamas Community College (CCC): CCC needs a sewer easement and separate stormwater easement from NCPRD and the County for the construction of their new building at the Harmony Campus. Both easements will likely be forthcoming for approval in the next month (Exhibit 6).

5. *IGA with Milwaukie*: The City of Milwaukie and NCPRD are working on updating the IGA for park services. A draft will be brought to the Board later this summer for review and approval.

6. *North Clackamas Park North Side Concept Plan:* After nine-month public process, the concept plan for the north side of the park is complete (Exhibit 2). Staff will be working with the District Advisory Board and City of Milwaukie to prioritize improvements and begin construction design for phase 1. Phase 1 construction is anticipated in 2009 (Exhibit 7).

7. *Harmony Vision Plan*: CCC, NCPRD and partners have completed the public process for the "Vision Plan" for the Harmony/Three Creeks area. The final document will be shared with the Board this summer. Planning for the Three Creeks area will begin later this year, pending information on alignment of Sunnybrook Blvd. During the park planning process, a name will be developed for the Three Creeks area. It has been suggested that each partner name their individual areas, but in order to show unity reference the larger "Harmony Community Campus". For example, "the North Clackamas Aquatic Park, at the Harmony Community Campus".

8. *District Naming Process:* The Board discussed a possible naming process for the District during a study session in April. The naming process will be presented during the April 24 business meeting for approval (Exhibit 8).

QUESTION (S) PRESENTED FOR CONSIDERATION
(Question numbering corresponds to project numbers above.)

Clackamas County Parks - None, update only.

NCPRD

1. Shall the District continue to work with the School District on the design, development and shared use of the facilities at the 162nd Avenue community park?
2. Should the BCC approve the IGAs between the District and NC12 for the athletic field improvements at Alder Creek Middle School, and Rex Putnam and Milwaukie high schools?
3. Shall staff prepare a letter for signature by the Board to Metro regarding the Trolley Trail and light rail?
4. Shall the Board approve the easements requested by Clackamas Community College?

5, 6, 7, and 8 – None, update only.

OPTIONS AVAILABLE
(Numbering corresponds to project numbers above.)

County Parks – None, update only.

NCPRD

1. *SE 162nd Avenue Community Park*
   - Continue partnership with School District
   - Discontinue partnership
   - Complete design summer of 2008 and begin construction in August of 2008
   - Delay construction until 2009

2. *School District IGA's*
   - Approve the IGAs as presented.
   - Suggest changes, edits or additions to the final the IGAs.

3. *Trolley Trail*
   - Direct staff to draft letter and continue to coordinate with light rail
   - Direct staff the draft letter and discontinue coordination with light rail

4. *CCC Easements*
   - Approve easements
   - Deny easements

5, 6, 7, and 8 – None, update only.

RECOMMENDATIONS
(Numbering corresponds to project numbers above.)

County Parks – None, update only.

NCPRD

1. *162nd Avenue Community Park* – Staff recommends continuing partnership with School District and beginning construction as soon as possible.

2. *School District IGA's* – Staff recommends moving forward with the approval of the IGAs with the School District.

3. *Trolley Trail* – Staff recommends drafting the letter and continued coordination with the light rail project.

4. *CCC Easements* – Staff recommends moving forward with the approval of CCC easements.

5, 6, 7, and 8 – None, update only.

SCHEDULE FOR STUDY SESSION

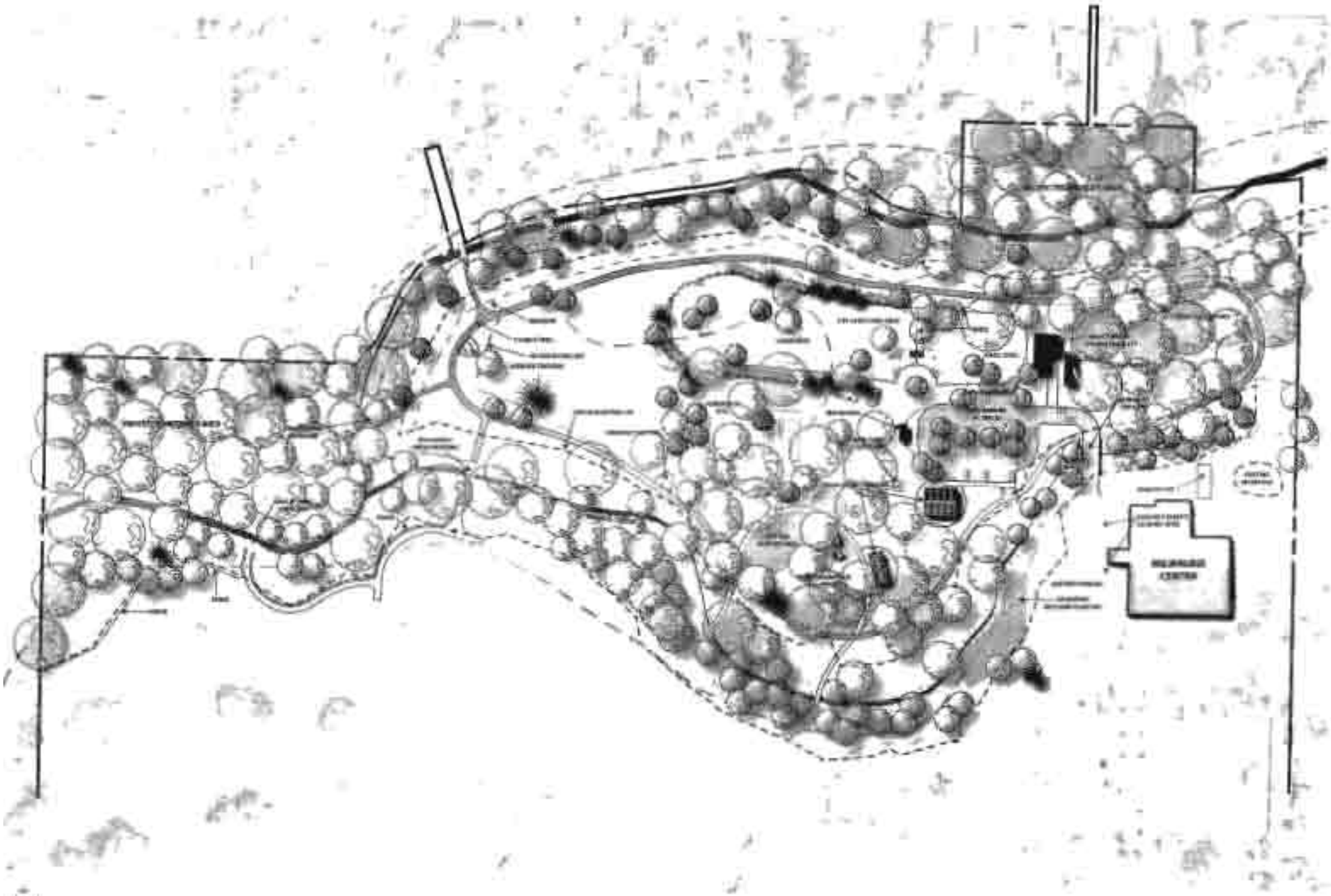
Division Director/Head Approval _____

Department Directory/Head Approval _____

County Administrator Approval _____

North Cl...kamas Community Park

Conceptual Park Plan



North Clackamas Parks
& Recreation District

Milwaukie Park & Recreation Board

- January 9, 2007
- September 25, 2007
- February 26, 2008
- October 28, 2008
- January 27, 2009
- May 27, 2009-Comment Letter

Park & Recreation Board
PARB

January 9, 2007
7:30 am to 9 am
Regular Meeting

MINUTES

Attendees: Kate MacCready, Sherri Dow, Mart Hughes, Sonny Newson, Ray Harris
Absent: Bob Cooper,
Staff: JoAnn Herrigel , Joan Young
Guest: Val Hubbard (prospective Board member)

Minutes
MacCready motioned to accept the November minutes. Dow seconded and the motion passed 5-0.

Dog Rules – Stewardship Committee
Herrigel reported that the Stewardship Committee for North Clackamas Park had created a subcommittee to address the dog run at that park. She said that at the November meeting the subcommittee had brought several recommendations to the committee for their consideration. The committee, in turn had asked each committee member to review the recommendations with their stakeholder group and to bring back comments to the Stewardship Committee. Herrigel listed the recommendations as follows:

- Add more dog parks to other parks in the City/District to take some burden off North Clackamas Park.
- Switch the location for the horse arena with the dog run at North Clackamas Park.
- Keep dog park at North Clackamas Park

PARB member comments

More dog parks:

- MacCready – could we look at the undeveloped park on Monroe (Wichita Park) for use as a dog park?
- Harris/MacCready – we see no problem with having other dog parks in the City/District
- Dow – even with more dog areas people will keep going to NCP because they are used to it and like it there.
- Hubbard asked if a flier or signage could be developed showing or stating where other dog parks were located and how to get there.

Horse arena/dog run switch:

- Dow – of trading the locations is okay with the neighbors, I have no problems with it.
- The acoustics might be better in the southern area. The ridge to the north may exacerbate the sound.
- Young – may need to be thoughtful about the impact of the horse use on picnickers at the park. May not be any but not sure.

General comments:

- Hughes – we need a policy that dog areas are sanitary and dog feces not be allowed into the creek. Noted that at one park they actually have a place for flushing dog waste.
- Dog advocates should be encouraged to talk to dog owners in other parts of the park to encourage them to obey the off-leash rules and use the enclosed area etc.
- Hughes – have we done enforcement there lately. (Herrigel noted that Code enforcement staff has been down one for a while and that the last attempt to enforce has been met with resistance.)
- Hughes – we should encourage the District to prioritize looking for other areas for dog park use. He suggested that this be placed in the master plan.

Consensus: Agreeable to all recommendations. All should consider impact on neighbors and other users of the park.

Local Share Funding Process (Site selection criteria)

Herrigel noted that the Board had begun a discussion of criteria for site (and project) selection for local share funding at their November meeting and had asked that the discussion continue this time.

Criteria already discussed:

- The group reiterated that acquisition remains their highest priority
- Wherever possible sites should be adjacent to existing public property to "avoid fragmentation"
- Coordinate with NCPRD and County to maximize buying power
- Wetland, riparian and aquatic habitat protection are high priorities
- Neighborhood accessibility is important – meaning sites should be centrally located
- Sidewalks are not "required" for site to be considered
- Should consider if sites fit into the larger future green space or park system in the City and region

Board member additions:

- Underserved areas of the City should be high priority
- Staff should coordinate with NDAs upfront before pursuing sites
- If a site doesn't really fit the criteria but has a willing seller –consider it anyway

Other comments:

Hughes – We need to be developing a 30-40 year plan for parks and recreation facilities (including trails) for this City. We should articulate this need to the District and see if they might want to do that for the whole District. If not, the City should work together with the District to complete a plan for the City.

It was suggested that at the next meeting we begin looking at a short list of projects for the City's local share and then move toward a longer-term list. Herrigel agreed to provide maps and if possible have flood plains and wetland maps available. She also agreed to try to get a firm list from the County and the District of their Local Share projects.

City Updates:

- Herrigel reported that the Riverfront design is moving forward and the design firm is about to set the park elements in their final places. The next step will be to begin refining the design for amenities such as the play area and the rest rooms.

District Updates:

- Dan Zinzer has hired a deputy Director. His name is Gary Barth and his major duty will be economic development.
- Metro recently was successful at purchasing a 9.9 acre parcel on the east slope of Mt Talbert. This brings the total acreage owned to 195 acres. Metro is still working on an access point for the Mt Talbert property
- NCP ball-field project still on target. First games will be in April and schedule for fields is full through August/September
- District has been working with the horse arena folks on a plan to rotate the arena to allow parking nearby.
- Paved pathway around the ball-field area is complete.
- Request for Proposals for the master plan for the north part of NCP will be sent out within two weeks (Question – who's on selection committee?)

Next Meeting:

Mart Hughes asked that the February meeting be rescheduled due to a conflict he has with another meeting. The group agreed to meet on February 20th at 7:30 am.

Harris motioned to adjourn. Dow seconded and the motion passed 5-0.

Park & Recreation Board
PARB
Tuesday, September 25, 2007
7:30AM
City Hall – Conference Room
10722 SE Main Street

Minutes

Type of meeting:	Regular
Attendees:	Mart Hughes, Sherri Dow, Kate MacCready, Ray Harris, Bob Cooper
Absent:	Val Hubbard
Staff:	JoAnn Herrigel, Joan Young, Michelle Healy Kevin Cayson, Susan Shanks

Minutes
Dow moved to approve, and MacCready seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

North Clackamas Park Master Plan
Michelle Healy gave the group an update of the on-going master planning process for the north side of North Clackamas Park. Following are some highlights:

- Surveys and comments on the options will be accepted until Oct 1
- Two public meetings held so far
- Folks prefer parking in option A and agree we need more parking than currently exists
- There is a 50 to 70 foot buffer proposed for both Camus and Mt Scott Creeks
- Concept B preferred for dog park (dog area is closer to parking)
- Prefer separation of large and small dogs
- A small shelter is proposed near play area as well as boulders to play on
- Two environmental over looks proposed
- There is a preference split on soft verses hard surfaces for pathways

Cooper suggested doing both – like Tryon Creek.
Young noted that a lot of older adults use the paths now
Herrigel asked if permeable asphalt could be used (Healy noted that the high water table is concern there)
Shanks noted that the compaction beneath the paths typically is compacted making it impermeable regardless of the material used to pave.
Young noted that using pavers could be difficult due to the frequent use by older adults who need even surfaces

Hughes noted that there is already a hard surface trail around the ball fields and wondered why that would not suffice – since people use that now anyway
He suggested that at the next public meeting that District staff include the trail on the southern portion of the site so people see the whole path system
Hughes also asked if the number of bridges could be reduced and said he thought there should be a complete natural resource plan – he added that he had seen plans where the paths were restricted in order to maintain environmental habitats (**Healy** noted that the consultants were doing a resource protection plan)
Harris noted that many people use these types of parks to get access to nature. He suggested including enough access but restricting areas that need protection using signs (**Healy** noted that interpretive signs are also proposed in the plan)
MacCready said that the area where dogs can go needs to be made clear since many don't really know where the area is right now.

Herrigel asked about the Master Gardener proposal to build a greenhouse behind the Milwaukie Center.
Healy said that 60% of the survey respondents were in favor of that proposal but others felt that it would present a maintenance hassle for the District.
Young said the proposal would increase trainings for Center users and that gardeners would grow plants there for the District to use elsewhere. She said that the Center staff is supportive of this idea and does not feel that any maintenance burden would result.
Shanks noted that road to F crossed a wetland
Hughes questioned whether scattering facilities was a good idea stating that he preferred them to be together
Shanks asked if any access from the west had been considered (Healy said it had been raised but no firm proposal is being considered)

Healy invited all to attend the next open meeting on October 24 at 6 pm at the Milwaukie Center.

Parks SDC Review

Michelle Healy gave the group an update on the status of the recent SDC review and proposed increase. She handed out the most up to date CIP. In response to the PARB's request that the Milwaukie rates be closer to the other areas, Healy noted that SDC calculations are tied (by law) to specific projects and growth percentages. The master plan for the District is the basis for the rates and the CIP comes from that. Thus, when the master plan changes, so will the SDCs.

Last time SDCs were set, staff asked that the rates be suppressed in order to get them passed. This time, no suppression is being requested – but rather the project list itself is being revised.

Shanks asked how often the SDCs are reviewed. Healy said every five years, but this review is driven by the addition of Happy Valley to the District

Hughes noted that with high density development in downtown there might be a need to increase our acquisition for open space. He noted that the pressure seems to be to keep acquisition low.

Healy said the proposed rates would go to the Board of County Commissioners on Oct 11 and their adoption requires two readings. She encouraged any comments and testimony.

City Updates

Ardenwald and Lake Rd acquisitions

Herrigel said she had been working with a negotiator from Metro on acquisition of property in the Ardenwald neighborhood and would be meeting with Council on Oct 2nd to discuss terms. Lake Rd neighbors had not yet identified potential properties.

Homewood Park progress

Herrigel said she had met with Sarah Smith of Hector Campbell NDA to review the approved park plan and identify elements that need to be adjusted before issuing an RFP. She said that she was targeting spring/summer 2008 for construction of the play area.

Spring Park progress

Herrigel was to meet with Island Station NDA reps and City staff to discuss surveys recently completed near the park and a design for parking areas being drafted by a City contractor.

Dow asked about the Trolley Trail.

Healy said ODOT is "moving money around" and hopes to get a signed contract to the District by mid-Oct. Oak Lodge put in a bridge recently at Naef and Roethe Roads. Construction documents still need to be completed and then the construction can begin.

District Update

- Clackamas Live had about 1000-1200 people attend
- Maintenance at Milwaukie Center has been completed and painting almost done
- Aquatic park is open again after a week's closure for maintenance
- District began recruiting for a Recreation Supervisor, a Planner 2 and Natural Resource Person

- District working with Molalla and Canby regarding interest in joining the District
- Healthy Living Guide may be changing a bit due to the loss of the School District as a partner

Harris motioned to adjourn and Cooper seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Park & Recreation Board
PARB

Tuesday, February 26, 2008
7:30AM
City Hall – Conference Room
10722 SE Main Street

Minutes

Type of meeting:	Regular
Attendees:	Mart Hughes, Sherri Dow, Ray Harris, Val Hubbard, Bob Cooper
Absent:	Kate MacCready,
Staff:	JoAnn Herrigel, Joan Young, Kevin Cayson
Guests:	Michelle Healy, Dana Cody

Minutes
November minutes of the joint meeting with the Riverfront Board were approved 6-0.

Report on NCP Master Plan
Michelle Healy provided the Board with the final proposed master plan for the north portion of North Clackamas Park. Following summarizes her presentation:

- NCPRD held 3 public meetings and an open house
- The CCAB has reviewed the plan
- A survey was conducted on options for the north side plan
- Staff took the plan to the DAB in January (DAB liked it in concept but wanted the City's input)
- Additional parking is now integrated
- Dog run is moved to east away from creek
- 70 foot buffers on streams are integrated
- Traffic flow still needs some work – Milwaukie Center users still have concerns
- Controlled access only to creeks (all crossings currently exist)
- Master gardeners green house is in the plan
- Maintenance shed is located to accommodate both the Milwaukie center and the Park maintenance equipment
- Restroom is relocated

- Exercise stations will include both interactive equipment and interpretive signs about health
- Existing A frame is replaced with 80-person A Frame plus a smaller shelter
- Project will be phased: Phase 1 ($1.5 million) will build pathway, do environmental enhancement, educational interpretation, move do g run, master gardeners hut, new fencing and replace west end crossing.
- Phase 2 will rebuild restrooms, picnic shelter and install maintenance and storage buildings and maybe the caretaker building
- Phase 3 would do the parking lot and access over creeks
- Phase 4 would install play equipment, signage and exercise stations

Board comments:

- Hubbard: what is time frame for construction? (Healy – depends on funding – project costs is estimated at $3million)
- Hughes: wouldn't trees have to be removed for the parking lot or shelters (Healy – don't know yet but design development will determine that)
- Hughes: is there methodology in the plan for retaining trees or at least replacing those that are removed. Notes that the Urban Forestry program in Portland has a process like this. He expressed his interest in seeing where the trees are and which ones would be affected. He said he hoped that trees of equal caliper replaced those that needed to be removed.
- Herrigel and Healy said that the project staff would soon meet with City Planning staff to determine what land use processes were going to be required. Herrigel said that typically design plans showed landscape plans that identified which trees were proposed to be removed and/or replaced.

Harris made a motion to approve the concept plan for the north side of North Clackamas Park pending clarification of land use processes and integration of tree location and replacement plan. Motion passed 5-0.

District Budget/CIP

Healy said the District Master Plan was adopted in 2000. It is reviewed and revised every 10 years. Capital projects listed in the master plan span a 20-year period. The Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) informs the use of the System Development Charges (SDCs). The District just increased the SDCs recently. SDC funds go mostly to regional projects. District does 5 year CIP and this is reviewed by the DAB. March 13 the DAB will start discussing what they hope to do next year. Decisions on projects will be later in the budget process. She noted that April 10th the DAB will go through their whole budget.

Hughes noted that the SDC rate in Milwaukie is lower than Happy Valley's. He posited that if the City had more projects we could have a higher SDC rate.

Healy noted that SDC calculation involved a fairly complicated formula. Many things play into the establishment of the actual rates.

Herrigel said she would propose that the PARB do some priority setting next meeting for both maintenance issues (annual expenditures) and capital projects. All agreed that would be a good idea.

Hughes: should the pond house property be annexed into Scott Park?

District Update

- Natural Resource person has been hired (Tanya)
- Feiffer Park @122nd dedicated 4:30 on March 13 – it's an active recreation park with soccer fields and ball fields
- Molalla is looking at annexation to the District – vote in May
- Canby and Estacada also in discussion with District re: annexation
- Aquatic Park boiler is down – cold showers available only
- Milwaukie center holding 3rd annual March for Meals (delivered 75,000 meals last year and expect 77-78,000 next year)
- Cheryl Nally, human services for the Center has retired and position will be filled

City Update

Spring – Beth Ragel working with Lando and Associates to design parking and integrate it into the plan previously approved by Planning Commission.

Balfour – Property acquisition completed by the City. Site being stabilized.

Century – tennis courts being remodeled.

Motion to adjourn by Harris, seconded by Cooper and passed 5-0.

Park & Recreation Board
PARB
Tuesday, October 28, 2008
7:30AM
City Hall – Conference Room
10722 SE Main Street

Minutes

Type of meeting: Regular

Attendees: Mart Hughes, Val Hubbard, Katie MacCready, Sherri Dow, Bob Cooper, Christie Schaeffer

Absent: Ray Harris

Staff: JoAnn Herrigel

Minutes
September minutes were approved 6-0.

IGA Status
Herrigel reported that Council had approved the revised IGA with the District at their October 21st Council meeting. She said the document would be signed by the City Manager and forwarded to the Board of County Commissioners for their approval and signature.

Trolley Trail Update
Michelle Healy, of NCPRD and Ken Ackerman and Keith Jones (from Harper Houf Peterson Righellis Inc.) gave the group an update on the Trolley Trail design. Highlights were:

- Design is now at 30%
- ODOT and the City will be reviewing the plans (no county land use review is required)
- Bid announcement for construction is expected in October of 2009
- Jan 1, 2010 construction will begin
- The scope of the project is from the Kellogg sewage treatment plant to Glen Echo
- Trail will be 12 feet wide with 2 foot shoulders
- Pervious pavement will be used for trail surface
- Swales will be used next to the trail where drainage is required
- The intersection at 22nd and McLoughlin Blvd has a pulled out traffic island to allow better visibility of peds/bikes and of cars coming from the north under the trestle
- Count-down timers will be used at intersection crossings

Hughes expressed concern that the 22nd Avenue intersection should be signalized and should have a push button for peds and bikes.

Project Team noted that a turn lane at 22nd was not possible due to lack of room given current location of trestle.

Hughes reiterated his concern that this intersection was not friendly (safe) to trail users.

Project team noted that if they could find additional funds from the City or ODOT they would love to do more at this site. As it is, they are stretching their funding quite thin.

- Land use actions required include Community Service Use, Transportation Review and Willamette Greenway applications.
- Applications will be submitted all together in Dec 08 or Jan 09.
- The trail will fall in existing Right of Way. No purchases will take place for ROW.
- The District will maintain fences that are requested as part of the construction
- 60% design is expected in December.

(Question was raised regarding whether intersections at 22nd and Bluebird were on the City's CIP list or not. Herrigel said she'd find out.)

Based on concerns expressed by Hughes and other members regarding the intersections at Bluebird and 22nd, the group voted to request that Herrigel draft a memo stating the Park Board's support for further discussion of improvements at these two intersections along the Trolley Trail. It was suggested that this memo be directed to Michelle Healy with copies to ODOT, City Council and Planning Commission.

City Project Update

Ball Michel Park: Herrigel reported that the name for the park at Stanley and Willow had been officially changed to Ball Michel Park. The sign will be changed soon.
Homewood RFP: The RFP for Homewood resulted in 11 submittals. Staff has selected one contractor to forward to Council for the award of the contract on November 18.
Spring RFP: The RFP for Spring Park will go out in late November or early December.
Park Walk critique: Herrigel noted that about 15 people showed up for the Saturday park walk. She and others thanked Mart for guiding the walk. The eagle sitings were particularly remarkable (as was the fine weather!)
Riverfront Park design discussion: The Joint Permit Application should be submitted to DSL and the Corps by December.

District Update

- 162nd – Tuesday will be the on-site pre-bid meeting for Phase 1 of this project (site prep and grading)
- Stringfield Park, located at Naef between River and McLoughlin Blvd, is almost open
- North Clackamas Park north side planning contract is almost settled. This phase will include dog park relocation, trail installation, interpretive sign installation, environmental enhancement including 30-40 trees and a bridge over Camas Creek
- Tonia Burns noted that the Historic Milwaukie NDA folks would like to plant trees at Kronberg Park (pine,fir, oak, maple and cedar)

Hubbard motioned to adjourn. MacCready seconded and motion passed 5-0 (Hughes left early).

Park & Recreation Board
PARB
Tuesday, January 27, 2009
7:30AM
City Hall – Conference Room
10722 SE Main Street

Minutes

Type of meeting: Regular

Attendees: Mart Hughes, Val Hubbard, Katie MacCready, Christie Schaeffer, Ray Harris

Absent: Sherri Dow, Bob Cooper

Staff: JoAnn Herrigel, Joan Young, Kevin Cayson, Tonia Burns

Minutes
January minutes were approved 5-0.

North Side Plan for North Clackamas Park

Tonia Burns, from NCPRD, gave an update of the North Side Plan for North Clackamas Park.

- $200,000 in Local Share funds are being used to implement Phase 1 of this project. Phase 1 includes:
  - A crushed culvert over Camas Creek will be replaced
  - Trail on the north side of the park will be installed
  - The Dog Park area will be relocated and renovated
  - Interpretive signs will be installed
- NCPRD had a pre-app meeting with City of Milwaukie
- A master plan (based on concept plan) for the north side project will be adopted into the comprehensive plan as part of the land use for this project
- Planning and design will take place during winter and spring of 2009
- There will be some bank modification – but not on Camas Creek
- Shrubs and trees planted will shade out reed canary grass (hard to remove)
- Construction expected in mid-summer to fall of 2009 for all elements except signage
- Most of this project is in the 100 year flood plain and is designated as high habitat value under Title 13

Comments:

- Does this area inundate?
  Tonia: Yes – except part of the dog run area which is drier
- Are there vacuum cleaners for dog poop?
  Actually, most of the dog feces are found outside the enclosed area.
- Best management practices should be used in the dog area
- We should "hire plain clothes gorillas to rub the dogs' noses in it when it happens" (*editorial*...guess who said this...?)

- Would like to have 70 foot buffer along creeks
- Could we send Code Enforcement staff into the Park this year to do Dog Patrol?
- Is there a mandatory poop scooping rule?

Trolley Trail Letter

Herrigel read the letter she'd drafted for the group regarding their concerns about the intersections along the Trolley Trail at Bluebird and 22nd Avenues in Milwaukie. She noted that Mart Hughes had suggested that it was not worded strongly enough. Herrigel asked the group to clarify how they'd like the letter revised.

Comments:

- Use "alarmed" instead of "concerned"
- We need additional signaling at intersections
- We need some way to slow or stop cars when pedestrians are in those intersections
- Prefer red light for cars or at least flashing warning light
- Need to state that there is a problem and that if the project goes forward and an accident occurs – we can say we warned them
- Anything less than complete separation is less than ideal

Kronberg Work Party

Tonia Burns reported that 20 tress were planted on Kronberg Park. The trees were donated by Dion Shepard and Dan Platter. 15 people participated in the planting party. Compost and bark chips were applied.

District Update

- Milwaukie Center Meals on Wheels continued to function during recent storms – unlike many other similar programs in the region
- District budget planning has begun
- 162nd ball field project back on schedule – to be open June/July 2009. (July/Aug there will be an ASA tournament there
- RFP is out for NCP ball field maintenance
- Stringfield Park opening event will be May 16th
- Trolley Trail has 24 new barriers along the trail to keep out cars
- Milwaukie Center has bids out for a portable generator
- Previous weekend there was a revegetation party at Rivervilla

MacCready motioned to adjourn and Schaeffer seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

May 27, 2009

Dan Zinzer
North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District
150 Beavercreek Rd
Oregon City, OR 97045

Dear Dan:

At their April 23rd meeting, the Milwaukie Parks and Recreation Board discussed the status of the north side plan for North Clackamas Park. The Board confirmed their support for the District's continued efforts to move this project forward despite the environmental restrictions it faces with the City's adoption of Title 13 standards. While it is frustrating that after all the District staff's hard work on the master plan it may need to be revised, the Park Board encourages the District to persevere in their efforts to move this project forward. The Board encourages the District to work with the City, the Stewardship Committee and Alta to implement as many elements of the project as possible within the regulatory framework imposed by Title 13.

In a subsequent discussion with Michelle Healy, she relayed to me that the budget for this project comes, partially from Metro Bond local share funds which are dedicated to this particular project and partially from SDC funds. Given their enthusiastic support for this project, the Park Board would discourage any shifting of either SDC or local share funds to other projects from this one, despite the difficulty presented by the Title 13 rules.

We commend the hard work of Michelle Healy, Tonia Burns and the Alta staff on this project and look forward to the enhancements which will result from their efforts.

Sincerely,

JoAnn Herrigel
Community Services Director

CC: PARB, Milwaukie City Council, Michelle Healy, Stewardship Committee, Tonia Burns

Stewardship Committee

- October 25, 2006
- November 29, 2006
- December 20, 2006 - Storyboard Work Group
- January 24, 2007 - Storyboard Work Group
- April 25, 2007
- May 23, 2007 – Project Kick-off
- June 27, 2007
- July 25, 2007
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NEXT MEETING:

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2006
4:00 – 6:00 P.M.

MILWAUKIE CENTER

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE
For
N. Clackamas Park

October 25, 2006
Milwaukie Center

Meeting Summary

Present:

Representatives:, Sally Shook, Eric Shawn (chair), JoAnn Herrigel (vice-chair), Tony Clark, Eleanor Johnson, Lisa Gibson

Alternates:
Steve Berliner, Rick Frank, Jim Schuld, Holly Denman, Susan Shawn

Absent: Fr. Matthew Tate (rep), John Denny (rep)

Guests/Observers: Dick Shook

Staff:
Dan Zinzer, Michelle Healy, Joe Loomis, Jon Mantay Clackamas County

Introductions/Opening Comments/Meeting Minutes

Eric Shawn welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked the committee to review the September meeting minutes. Michelle Healy passed out a packet of information for each committee representative which included the agenda, prior meeting minutes and additional dog information.

Action: The committee approved the September minutes as presented.

Dog and Park Work Group Report

Tony Clark presented an update on the progress of the dog working group.

Update:

- The working group has begun to look at alternative sites for dog runs in the District.
- Group still needs to figure out public process to engage the larger community.
- Rules for dog parks are on the next meeting agenda.

Discussion:

- Eric Shawn commented that one of the remaining tasks for the group is to figure out a public process to reach consensus on a recommendation.
- Eric explained that the working group is moving towards finding a solution, such as moving it to another part of the park, and establishing multiple dog runs to take the pressure off NCP.
- Dan Zinzer asked how people felt about moving the dog run out of North Clackamas Park. Tony explained that the only way they might support moving the dog run is if there was a better replacement. It needs to be close and nicer.
- Jim Schuld commented that there should always be something at NCP.
- Rick Frank commented that dogs are inevitable at NCP, with a dog run at least there is a way to somewhat control them.
- Discussed an alternate site at Three Creeks behind the Aquatic Park. Susan Shawn commented that Three Creeks is perceived to be dangerous, doesn't think many people would want to go there.
- Susan reiterated that a public process is necessary and suggest that Mary Forst might be able to help.
- Dan commented that Mary's contract has lapsed, but that could be overcome.
- Eric commented about the importance of reaching a decision that people can support.
- Sally asked if the Park District might be able to suggest alternative dog run locations, e.g., WES properties.
- Dan commented that it is important to come to a solution. The District is grappling with how dogs factor into the north side planning.
- Eric commented that the dog working group is small and not inclusive enough. This could derail the process if there are people who feel that they haven't been included in the discussions.
- Tony asked what would happen if the stewardship committee made a recommendation and the neighbors don't support it. Dan explained that the recommendation would go to the DAB for consideration.
- Sally asked if the Park District had a position on moving the dog run. Dan said no.
- Sally said that neighbors could be supportive, if the dog run was controlled. Currently, it is not controlled and hasn't been for 8 years. There are times when there are 40 dogs and 30 people in the run. It is very loud. We don't need a dog run that serves the tri-county area.
- Jo Ann commented that the stewardship committee needs to come to a solution that is acceptable, otherwise if it goes to the DAB, they will have to fight it out again. Need to get everyone involved now. It might be hard, but we need them to participate.
- Lisa Gibson suggested that the committee consider swapping the location of the dog run and horse arena. The working group will look at this option.
- Dan commented that we need a decision on the horse arena. The goal is to have all the commitments done by March.
- Dog working group meetings are scheduled at the Milwaukie Center every other week. There is a meeting following today's stewardship meeting. The next meeting will be November 8 at 6:30 pm.

Action: The dog group will discuss ideas for a public process.

Amplified Sound Policy

The committee discussed the draft amplified sound policy for the ball fields prepared by the District. Michelle gave an overview of how the policy was drafted. The DAB has not taken action on it.

Discussion:

- Steve Berliner has concerns about the decibel level.
- Eric suggested that the policy apply to the whole park, rather than just the ball fields. There were noise issues during the Fall into Art event. It would be good if the policy where compatible with the city code.
- JoAnn commented that the city limits noise to 60 decibels in noise sensitive areas (e.g., churches, residential areas and schools).
- Susan asked about how frequently amplified sound could be used. She talked to people who neighbor a park in Portland. They said that they could hear games from 10 to 12 blocks away. She wasn't sure if they had a portable or permanent system at the park.
- Rick Frank and Joe Loomis commented that amplified would be limited to tournaments only, not everyday use. It would generally be limited to the National Anthem, announcing players and handing out trophies, not "play-by-play".
- Eric explained that the idea of the policy is to limit amplified sound to special events and control the decibel level. The stewardship committee's goal is to clarify the criteria and impacts on other park users.
- Susan wanted clarification on the difference between league games and championship games.
- Lisa helped to clarify. A championship game is not every night, mainly on weekends at the end of the season.
- Eleanor asked about how this policy affects weddings in the gazebo. Concerned about amplified sound being used on the fields during a wedding. She asked how this will be controlled.
- Joe explained that Rose and him having been working on a schedule. They will try to space out events. There are opportunities to adjust game schedules, look at when the "hot" time for wedding vs. tournaments are, etc. Also, the teams don't necessarily have to use amplified sound when a wedding is occurring. There may be bumps in the road, but we will work through them.
- Susan suggested that we remove fields from the title and make the policy apply to the entire park. Also, adjust decibel level down to 65.

Action: Consensus to remove the word "Fields" from the title, and to make the policy apply to sound coming from all park activities, not just sports events. Consensus to reduce the decibel level from 70 to 65. Dan Zinzer will place the recommendation on the DAB agenda.

North Side Planning

Eric explained that the committee needs to discuss what we hope to accomplish from the north side plan and how we are going to do it.

Discussion:

- Michelle explained that we are doing a concept plan only. Until we have a source of funding for construction, it doesn't make sense to spend a lot on construction documents.
- The District will either hire a consultant with Landscape Architecture and natural resources specialty or a temporary employee with these skills. The district is still discussing.
- Surveyors have been out on site. They have been flagging the boundaries of the creek and other landmarks. District should have information by mid November.
- Susan wants to assure that the planning process is open.
- Michelle explained that she wrote up a draft public process that she can share with the committee.
- JoAnn will work with Michelle on the process and they will bring it to the committee.
- Dick Shook commented that the plan prepared in the early 1990s said that the north side would remain passive.
- Susan commented that ADA issues need to be addressed in the plan.
- Lisa commented that the horse arena needs to be included if it is moved.

Action:

- Surveyors and wetland consultants to finish work.
- The District needs to decide whether a consultant or employee will be hired.
- The stewardship committee will work with the District to come up with a public process.

Storyboards:

Susan Shawn presented a proposal to create a subcommittee to work on the storyboards for North Clackamas Park. She explained that she envisioned boards similar to those at Wildwood Recreation Area. The boards would help educate adults and children about natural resources that need to be protected. Jon Mantay agreed to pay for 5 boards. Possible board topics include,

1. Watershed
2. Animals/Wildlife
3. Plants
4. Forest
5. Etc.

The purpose of the subcommittee is to come up with content and placement not illustrations. The subcommittee could come up with a proposal and present it at the next stewardship meeting, that way the boards could be ready by March. There are local school teachers who are interested in helping. This could segway into children's arts and crafts classed at the Milwaukie Center during ball tournaments. Susan commented that the signs should be in Spanish and English. Jon Mantay, the county administrator,

confirmed that the Board of County of Commissioners approved the overall project and included an authorization of $10,000 in the budget for this effort. Jon further explained that he directed staff to complete the project by April 1, 2007.

Action: Consensus to create subcommittee to work on storyboards.

Ball field Usage:
Committee discussed whether adults could use the new fields when youth are not using them, for example an adult "pick up" game during a picnic.

Discussion:

- Sally thought that they should be allowed to play. We've excluded enough people from the south side of the park already.
- Rick commented that adults could use the two larger fields if they were not scheduled. They should be used on a first come first serve basis.
- Susan commented that she thought that the need for fields was so great that the new fields would always be used by the youth.
- Rick commented that there wasn't going to be a lot of free time, but there might be some. Especially later in the summer.
- Susan commented that NCP is a community park, assume usage is ok.

Action: Consensus that informal adult use was allowed. The committee agreed that no formal action for a recommendation was necessary at this time.

Ombuds Activity

Progress Report: Ball field Construction:
Dan provided a brief update on the ball field project.

- Things are proceeding on schedule. Trees will be planted soon. Swales being completed. Buildings being installed.
- A question was asked if the neighbor access had been resolved on the south side. Dan will check into it.

Committee Comments

Eric Shawn commented that Chris Runyard is withdrawing his volunteer project at NCP. He was frustrated by the process and bureaucracy. Susan commented that we have lost an ally and support. She suggested that the District talk with Chris and do some "fence mending". Dan agreed that this is important.

Eric commented that the next regularly scheduled meeting is the night before Thanksgiving. He asked if the committee was interested in changing the meeting date. There was general consensus to move the next meeting to November 29. Michelle will contact Rose to reserve the room.

Next meeting – November 29, 2006, Milwaukie Center, 4-6 p.m.

NEXT MEETING:

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2006
4:00 – 6:00 P.M.

MILWAUKIE CENTER

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE
For
N. Clackamas Park

November 29, 2006
Milwaukie Center

Meeting Summary

Present:

Representatives:, Sally Shook, Eric Shawn (chair), JoAnn Herrigel (vice-chair), Tony Clark, Eleanor Johnson, John Denny

Alternates:
Steve Berliner, Rick Frank, Susan Shawn

Absent: Fr. Matthew Tate (rep), Lisa Gibson (rep.) Jim Schuld (alt.), Holly Denman (alt.)

Guests/Observers: Dick Shook, Pat and Anne O'Donnell

Staff:
Dan Zinzer, Michelle Healy, Clackamas County

Introductions/Opening Comments/Meeting Minutes

Eric Shawn welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked the committee to quickly review the mission and ground rules. He also reminded the committee that they had agreed that all committee members would be allowed to speak once before additional comments would be collected.

Michelle Healy handed out the agenda, October meeting minutes, information on amplified sound and a planning process outline for the north side of North Clackamas Park.

Eric asked the group to review the minutes from the October meeting.

JoAnn Herrigel asked for clarification on page two, "commitments". Dan Zinzer explained that these were commitments made during the negotiations for the ball field development.

Action: The committee approved the October minutes as presented.

North side Planning

Michelle presented a suggested process for planning the north side of the park. In preparation for the meeting Michelle e-mailed the committee an outline on the proposed process. The committee reviewed the document. Rick Frank suggested that an on-line "survey" tool be added as one of the ways to collect input on the plans. Michelle said she would look into whether that was possible.

The District has decided to use a consultant for the planning process. This would include a consultant with expertise in landscape architecture, wetland biology and natural resource management. Michelle will use the outline as the basis for the RFP (request for proposals). Michelle asked the committee if they felt comfortable with the process as presented. If so, she will proceed with completing the RFP.

Action: Consensus that the process is acceptable.

Dog and Park Work Group Report

Tony Clark presented information from the work group. He explained that the working group was an informal committee – anyone/everyone who attended the meetings helped to draft the recommendations. These recommendations only reflect the opinions of the people who attended the meeting.

Recommendations:

- More dog parks in District to relieve pressure on NCP.
- Ideas for quality dog parks. The working group prioritized the qualities of good dog park design (shown below).

Priority 1

1) Double gate
2) 5 ft. fence
3) level- no holes, but nice terrain
4) Room
5) Plumbed water (close)
6) Tables
7) Shade
8) Restrooms (in vicinity)
9) Shelter
10) Parking
11) Safe Environment, feel secure
12) Trash service
13) Set of Rules

Priority 2

1) Structures for dogs to play
2) Lighting
3) Wash area
4) Small dog area
5) Training Area
6) Water feature
7) Timeout area for dogs

Discussion:

- Sally Shook commented that the dog parks could be spread out, since people come from all areas.
- John Denny said that finding locations for dog parks is hard because there is a lack of land to work with.
- Tony commented that if the existing dog run were switched with the horse arena, there might be more space for the dog run. We would need to add a shelter and water supply for the dog run.
- Dan asked about the momentum for switching the horse arena and dog run. Dan commented that the District is committed to improving the arena by spring, but he'd hate to do something if the stewardship committee recommends moving the horse arena to the north side. In the meantime, Dan proposed taking down the existing fencing. The final decision about the arena would then be incorporated into the north side planning process.
- Committee agreed that Dan's suggestion made sense. Eric suggested that they put the idea out to stakeholders.
- Dan also commented that he's been talking to Lisa about possibly re-configuring the existing arena, which would provide more space for parking.
- Steve suggested that if the arena moves to the north side, the parking should be put where the old dumping area was. This would prevent further degradation of the north side and would also prevent conflicts between cars and people.
- JoAnn asked what south side neighbors thought of switching the dog run and arena.
- Pat O'Donnell said that they love the horses and would like the arena to stay in its current location. That is where they thought it would be during the planning for the south side.
- Tony commented that the working group recommended that a dog park remain in NCP (in its current location) until an acceptable alternative is found.
- Eric asked what people thought of forwarding the working group's recommendations to the stakeholder groups.
- Susan said that the people on the south side need to be included in the discussion. She asked how to contact them.
- Michelle said she could help put together a mailing, if desired by the committee.
- JoAnn commented that she wants to hear from them also, but she suggests sending the recommendations to the stakeholder groups first, and then see if a mailing is necessary.
- Sally suggested looking at the area next to the church (Clackamas Christian) for a dog run.
- Dan said that no one has talked to the church specifically about that, it may be a possibility. A discussion could occur as part of the north side plan.
- Rick stated that there were two things to rectify before asking stakeholder groups to comment on the recommendations. 1) Horse arena swap, is it feasible?
- 2) Is the church willing to let us use the field for a dog run? We should consider checking with the Church and horse people and then forward recommendations to stakeholders.
- Eric said that Lisa Gibson actually brought the suggestion to the working group, so she is aware of the idea.
- Eleanor Johnson commented that the working group hasn't talked about other off-leash dog issues in the park. Dogs are a bigger issue than just what to do about the dog run.
- Tony commented that the working group will continue to look at dog issues in the park.

- Eric suggested that committee members bring these recommendations to their constituents to discuss. Do they work? Have their constituents rank and bring back for discussion at the next meeting.
- Steve asked for an aerial clarification of the south side. He said they have a cleared natural area where the dog run is currently located. Moving the dog run to the south could possibly impact more trees and wet areas.

Action: Consensus to forward recommendations to stakeholders for comment.

Desired Features for North Side Planning

In preparation for the north side plan the committee decided to brainstorm about possible features for the Park. This information will give the consultant something to work with and to encourage the stakeholders to think "outside the box".

The committee determined that there was consensus on some of the desired features, but they still need to be given to stakeholders for discussion. Additionally, public input is necessary.

Brainstorm:

- Group picnic areas with shelters, electricity, and water.
- Remove caretaker house?
- Storage area- will the new building be big enough?
- Sally suggested a Labyrinth.
- Susan explained that there are examples at the Franciscan Spiritual Center (Hwy 224 and Webster) and also one at the Episcopal Cathedral located at 18th & Everett.
- JoAnn commented that we don't want to have the dog run issue take up all of the planning meetings. Need to be sure that we resolve the question outside the master planning process. She suggested that the dog run remain in its current location until a decision is made.
- Dick Shook suggested a Tai Chi area
- Amphitheater- classroom sized area
- Croquet area
- Protect northwest corner of park. Possibly have boardwalk to access for interpretive education (e.g. Wildwood Recreation Area on the way to Mt. Hood)
- Dan commented that it sounds like it might be premature to work on the story boards ahead of the north side plan.
- Susan said yes, it probably is. She won't be upset if they are moved during the planning. They need to be done well.
- Dan will tell Jon Mantay that the committee is will work on the boards as part of the north side planning.

Amplified Sound Policy

At the October meeting the stewardship committee recommended to the District Advisory Board the adoption of a modified amplified sound policy for North Clackamas Park. The DAB did not take action on the recommendation. The committee decided that more discussion was needed regarding the plan for the amplified sound policy for the ball fields. The committee was given additional information on sound levels.

Discussion:

- Eric explained that the DAB wants to adopt the existing draft policy without the suggested changes by the stewardship committee. He thought that more discussion was needed before the DAB takes any action.
- Dan said that DAB is not in a rush to adopt a policy. They are interested in the stewardship committee taking a comprehensive look at all the uses in the park.
- Rick asked how the existing policy might impact weddings. He said he would recommend going back to 70 using the new sound information handed out.
- JoAnn stated that the committee needs more information to make a good decision about the decibel level.
- Susan commented that she didn't think the sound levels on the chart handed out by Michelle were correct.
- John suggested that someone get out during games and see if 70 is too loud and then make a recommendation.
- Steve liked John's idea, see if 70 is a problem then act.
- Eric measured the noise of the fan in the room to give everyone a sense of what decibel levels are like. The fan was about 60 decibels.

Action: Staff will do more research on amplified sound and bring that back to the Stewardship Committee. Dan will let the DAB know that the stewardship committee will come back to them with more information at a later date.

Ombuds Activity

Progress Report: Ball field Construction:

Dan provided a brief update on the ball field project

- The District is looking into a contract for field maintenance
- There was a lot of rain, but the fields are holding up
- Work has been slowed by the weather, but still on schedule.
- Bulletin board in dog run seems to be working ok.
- Question was asked about private property access to the south. Dan responded that he thought it was worked out, but will double check with contractor.

Committee Comments

The next meeting falls during the week between Christmas and New Years. The committee discussed changing the meeting date to either the week before or after. There was consensus to change the meeting to December 20, 2006. Michelle will reserve the room with Rose.

Next meeting – December 20, 2006, Milwaukie Center, 4-6 p.m.

Storyboard Report

Storyboard Work Group
Stewardship Committee for North Clackamas Park
December 20, 2006

Report Outline

- Committee Task
- Overview of NCP Storyboard Topics
- Examples from other parks
- Sign Construction ideas (January)
- Potential Locations (Spring - part of Master Plan process)

Committee Task

Story Boards in North Clackamas Park are designed to educate children and the general public about the special features of these Natural Areas. We hope park users will help protect the wetlands and wildlife habitat once they learn more about it. The Committee will propose a set of up to 6 story boards, including content and potential locations, as well as materials for sign construction.

Overview of Topics

- Kellogg Creek/Mt. Scott Watershed map
- Mammals
- Birds
- Plants (Native and Invasive)
- Insects
- Slithery Creatures
- Sports League handouts
- Kids to kids booklet
- Examples from Other Nature Parks
- Sign Construction: Initial ideas

Watershed Map

- This will be a map of the Kellogg Creek/Mt. Scott Creek Watershed, from the Headwaters to the Willamette, locating North Clackamas Park, and a few well known sites, such as Milwaukie's Kronberg & Kellogg Lake Park.
- Note about bio-diversity of watershed and Park itself.

Mammals

- Squirrel
- Raccoon
- Coyote
- Deer
- River Otter
- Wood Rat
- Mouse
- Opossum
- Nutria
- Rabbit
- Bat
- Skunk

Birds

- Great Blue Heron
- Pileated Woodpecker
- Black capped Chickadee
- House finch
- Robin
- Crow
- Raven
- Hawk
- Townsand Warbler
- Mallards
- Wood Ducks
- Canadian Geese
- Owl
- Hummingbirds

Native Trees and Plants

- Skunk Cabbage
- Oak
- Ash
- Nine Bark
- Red Osier Dogwood
- Western Red Cedar
- Oregon Grape
- Common Rush
- Wild Rose
- Snowberry
- Ferns
- Camas

Invasive Plants

- Non-native Dogwood trees
- Holly
- Himalayan Blackberry
- English Ivy
- Canary Reed grass
- Other

Insects

- Butterflies: Monarch
- Moths
- Crickets
- Ladybugs
- Flies
- Spiders
- Bees, wasps, hornets, Yellow jackets
- Dragonflies:
  - Common Green Darner
  - Blue-eyed Darner
  - Western Forktail
  - Pacific Forktail
  - Tule Bluet
    - 12 spotted Skimmer
    - 8 spotted Skimmer

Slithery Creatures

- Salamanders
- Frogs
- Snakes
- Fish - steelhead? Salm
  Why or why not?
- Tadpoles
- Worms
- Snails
- Slugs
- Crawdads

Sports League Handout

Idea is to create a tri-fold brochure of the park, to be sent to parents along with ball game information: Welcome to the Park, map, rules, litter pick up, plus amenities such as restrooms, emphasizing:

Summary of Story Boards & their locations, activities available regarding natural areas (weekend teacher, arts & crafts) highlights of the wetland habitat. Why to stay away from the creek. This information would also be on the NCP website.

Kids to Kids Booklet

- Produced by Cascade Heights Public Charter School students: a Kid to Kid booklet about the NCP Natural Areas, habitats, wetlands, creek, native plants, wildlife, or whatever they want to include.

- These little booklets would be made available to the families of baseball teams at the Park, for the smaller children who aren't playing ball. Also for kids visiting the park to play, picnic, walk dogs, etc. .

Animal Kingdom

Steve and the Cascade Heights folks suggest a sentence about "Our park is home to species in each of the five "Classes" of vertebrates, such as: Mammals, Birds, Fish, Reptiles, & Amphibians

- Invertebrates: Insects, spiders, worms, snails, crustaceans, etc.

Examples from Other Nature Parks: Trail signs

- This is a trail head sign from Wildwood Park, up on Hwy 26 towards Mt. Hood. The boardwalks allow folks to walk into the middle of the wetlands there, and not disturb the land or the wildlife. They experimented with different types of boardwalks.

Example: Trail Sign

- This is from Tualatin Hills, another trail sign

Examples: Benches

- These benches are from Wildwood Park, and have been donated by families in honor of loved ones. They are quite beautiful, and made very well. They carry forward the theme of saving the salmon and wildlife.

Example: 3-D Watershed

- Watershed Model
- Bucket & sponge are provided, and kids can see how the rainwater flows down through the watershed. In this case, it's a river.
- This is an option for us to consider, in addition to the Story Boards.

Example: Home Sweet Home for Fish - what's ideal habitat

- A pool
- A riffle
- And a log
- And why we care

Boardwalks

Boardwalks

Example: Stream Access

- While most of the wetlands and creeks in Wildwood Park were protected by boardwalks and fences, several areas were open for access, such as this one. Very lovely spot.

Example: Stream Watch

- This map shows the entire stream watch area of Wildwood Park. Easy to read.
- This type of map could hold the concept that everything from your yard and driveway or ball field washes into streams and on to rivers and oceans.

Example: Wetland Watch

- Same for this one: a map of the wetlands, and what's special about the area. Very clear and informative.
- This idea could be used at NCP to cover our complete natural ecosystem, maybe some geology of the area.

Example: Nature Preserve

- Another idea: Food chain, with aquatic bugs for fish and animal food, birds eat the later-emerging flying insects, then scavengers and omnivorous birds and animals finishing up the food chain.

Examples: Amphitheatre

- This is in Wildwood Park, also.
- This was an idea proposed by Rick Frank at our last meeting.

Story Boards to visit

- Crystal Springs Rhododendron Gardens
- Minthorn Springs near the Milwaukie Marketplace
- Smith & Bybee Lakes
- Tryon Creek State Park's signs
- Tualatin Natural Wildlife Refuge.
- Wildwood State Park, Hwy 26
- Jackson Bottom

Story Board Construction

- Enameled Metal construction
- Folio, which is plastic impregnated with graphics to a depth of 1/4 inch: expensive (Pat Willis of Jackson Bottoms Wetlands Org.)
- Color plotter and some lamination, $20 per sign, replace yearly.
- Minthorn Springs's Wetlands Conservancy's interpretive sign?
- Portland Parks?

Storyboard Report Part II

Storyboard Work Group

Stewardship Committee for North Clackamas Park

January 24, 2007

Report Outline

- Committee Task: Reminder
- Overview of NCP Storyboard Topics
- Sign Construction Materials: Metal
- Sign Construction: Wood
- Size
- Style & colors
- Potential Locations (Spring - part of Master Plan process)

Committee Task

Story Boards in North Clackamas Park are designed to educate children and the general public about the special features of these Natural Areas. We hope park users will help protect the wetlands and wildlife habitat once they learn more about it. The Committee will propose a set of up to 10 story boards, including content, materials, size & colors. Locations will be part of North Side Master Plan process.

Overview of Potential Sign Topics

- Kellogg Creek/Mt. Scott Watershed map with notes about bio-diversity of park
- Animal Kingdom Classes and Food Chain
- Geology of the Park
- Wet lands, buffers and why these are special areas
- Mammals and their tracks
- Birds and their habitat
- Plants (Native and Invasive) Leaf rubbings?
- Insects
- Invertebrates (slithery creatures)
- Bringing back salmon to the creeks at the park & what's needed to do that

Sign Construction: We propose metal sign construction, and strongly discourage using wood.

Metal signs: Examples

- Brookside Park
- This has two signs, different shapes.
- We thought that having rounded shapes would be best, to prevent people from getting hurt..

Metal Signs: Example

- A closer look. Nice colors, interesting variety of shapes

Brookside Kiosk

- This kiosk has information on all sides, front and back. An option to consider.
- Colors too bright for NCP wet lands.
- Size is too big for our park, probably.

Minthorn Springs

- Another metal sign. Sharp corners.
- Welcoming design, earth colors pretty bland, might work.

Minthorn Springs

- Metal signs. These have sharp corners, boring design, colors don't tend to carry interest here.

Metal Sign Construction Details

- Minthorn Springs Sign construction. This is sturdy, has soft edges, gives that desirable tilt.

Happy Valley Park

- Metal sign with curved edges, softer look.
- Nice color, simple design.
- This wording might resolve the issues we have with signs for Area A, B & C in NCP.

Wildwood Park, Hwy. 26

- Good metal sign, nice design, earth colors, lots of information.

Tualatin Hills Parks

- Great colors, softer edges, great design.
- Lots of information in a relatively small sign
- Bottom one is tilted for ease of reading, doesn't block open space.

Tualatin Hills Nature Park

WES sign, Metal

- Good color, rounded edges, sturdy sign, simple design. Not a story board, but an example of good metal signage.

Wooden Signs: Examples

Camassia Park, West Linn

- Wooden sign frame, map covered with laminate. Ends up looking like a bulletin board.
- Another option: metal into stone.

Tualatin Hills Parks & Rec.

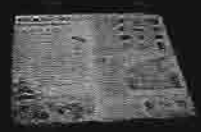
- Example of a wood sign. Functions okay, looks pretty ratty. More like a bulletin board.

Wooden signs/End of Trail

Camassia Signs, West Linn

Tualatin Open Space

- Wooden Signs, showing wear and tear of weather.



- We noticed that these signs don't last as long as the metal ones.

Paw Prints: ideas

Boardwalks

Boardwalks

Example: Stream Access

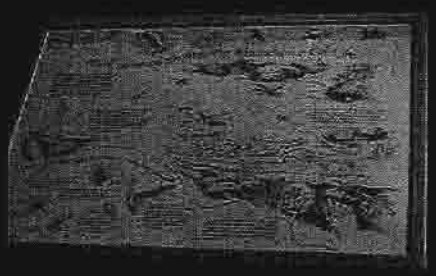
- While most of the wetlands and creeks in Wildwood Park were protected by boardwalks and fences, several areas were open for access, such as this one. Very lovely spot.

Example: Stream Watch

- This map shows the entire stream watch area of Wildwood Park. Easy to read.
- This type of map could hold the concept that everything from your yard and driveway or ball field washes into streams and on to rivers and oceans.

Example: Wetland Watch

- Same for this one: a map of the wetlands, and what's special about the area. Very clear and informative.
- This idea could be used at NCP to cover our complete natural ecosystem, maybe some geology of the area.



Example: Nature Preserve

- Another idea: Food chain, with aquatic bugs for fish and animal food, birds eat the later-emerging flying insects, then scavengers and omnivorous birds and animals finishing up the food chain.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

for

North Clackamas Park

April 25, 2007

Milwaukie Center

MEETING SUMMARY

PRESENT

Representatives Sally Shook, Eric Shawn (chair), JoAnn Herrigel (vice-chair), Fr. Matthew Tate, Tony Clark, Eleanor Johnson, John Denny

Alternates Rick Frank, Susan Shawn, Steve Berliner

ABSENT Jim Schuld (alt.), Holly Denman (alt.)

GUESTS Dick Shook, Pat and Anne O'Donnell, Lisa Gibson, Rosemary Crites

STAFF Dan Zinzer, Michelle Healy, Kristen Cacka

Amplified Sound Policy

The committee met outdoors to do a test of amplified sound use at both the rose garden and ball fields. A sound meter was borrowed from the Clackamas County Sheriff's Office to test decibel levels. Personal sound meters owned by committee members were also on hand to aid in testing.

Discussion:

- Eric – for the rose garden we should regulate dB level in center of brick square
- Eleanor – has never heard anything louder than the music played during our test today-could be offensive for the church and other neighbors; who is going to monitor the noise levels after policy is set?
- in baseball fields 65 dB is plenty, can't imagine any sound exceeding 60 dB, because it would be uncomfortably loud for those near baseball field
- 65 dB at rose garden property line seemed loud
- after test, it is clear that most noise issues will be from rose garden, not ball fields
- Dan – would like to get a recommendation from the committee to take to the District Advisory Board (DAB) on sound policy; two pivotal pieces are inclusion of whole park and perimeter at park
- in football we have never had amplifier system for national anthem
- JoAnn – seems unreasonable to ask everybody to test dB levels before using the rose garden
- Dan – usually no one would do anything; if there are complaints, then we would go out and test and ask them to turn it down until it reaches 65 dB (or whatever limit is set) at perimeter
- existing policy is 70 dB, proposal is to reduce it to 65 dB

- Dan – we want to make this policy inclusive for whole park, not just rose garden
- for rose garden, we should have both numbers: 65 dB at perimeter, and 90 dB at center of patio (or at 25 feet from source)
- JoAnn – who will people call if there is a complaint?
- Dan – in order to have an event, people have to have a permit; we would include sound policy in permit
- also want to be cautious of eliminating source of revenue if people don't want to use park
- we are regulating sound for surrounding neighbors outside park boundaries as well as other users of the park
- revision proposed by JoAnn – "amplified sound shall not exceed 90 dB at 20 feet of sound source and 65 dB measured from the perimeter of the park"
- Father Matthew – would be good to have a policy that amplified sound not be used before noon on Sundays, at least for rose garden, and maybe for shelter; also concerned about multiple use-maybe limit number of sources of amplified sound present concurrently; also want to consider effect to wildlife-how many dB for an extended period can wildlife tolerate
- Eleanor-also concerned with bass, may not hear music, but bass travels
- revision proposed by Dan – for No. 2 in sound policy –instead of 10-8 say 12-8
- how would we determine how many sources of amplified sound are present? -amplified sound requires a permit, we could limit it to 2 permits at one time and test for a summer
- Michelle – there are some drop-ins
- we would respond only if there's a complaint regarding number of sources as well as dB level
- we need to get a consensus to recommend to DAB
- Michelle – at DAB meeting one of the members recommended we look at fee, which is currently $15, but thought we may want to raise it -if DAB wants to raise fee, stewardship committee approves

Action: Amend sound policy recommendations as follows: 1) use of amplified sound shall be permitted from 12 pm – 8 pm on Sunday; 2) amplified sound shall not exceed 65 dB measured from the perimeter of the park, or 90 dB measured 20' from the sound source; 3) the use of amplified sound shall be limited to no more than 2 sources at any given time. All amendments were approved unanimously.

Introductions and Minutes

Eric Shawn welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked the committee to review the January meeting minutes.

Action: The committee approved the January minutes as presented.

North Side Planning

The committee reviewed ideas for north side planning and discussed new ideas. The RFP process was also reviewed.

Discussion:

- RFP review committee will meet on Friday and select a bidder, or proceed to interviewing if consensus is not reached

- Review ideas discussed at November meeting: We have ideas submitted by Dick, any additional thoughts?
- split-rail fences are nice-we need some sort of division between wetlands and surrounding areas
- Tony – dog park is not mentioned as a desired feature
- Eric – unless another location can be found that is suitable, the dog park needs to stay where it is; there needs to be a dog park somewhere in the park, consultant will figure out where the best place for it is
- has any effort been made to find a new area (outside of NCP) for a dog park? –Dan explained that discussions for 100 acres below aquatic park are in progress. Now is the time to mention horses, dogs, etc
- more dog parks in the area would help spread out dogs over other areas
- Dan – there will definitely be more dog parks in the area eventually
- Timeline? Michelle-approximately 2 years
- Michelle – we can get the word out about the potential for dog parks after we have acquired the property, and help to inform dog owners
- Women don't feel safe in aquatic park area walking dogs alone –Dan explained, not now, but it will have to be developed obviously
- Eleanor – any room for horse trails there? –Dan thinks so
- Northside planning-some efforts are underway to find additional dog park sites within the park, but we will have a dog park; if it stays in the same location, it will be upgraded
- JoAnn – if we don't get it on the list today, we will have an additional opportunity to talk to the consultants when they do their review; we don't have to list everything today
- Tony – what is timeline for consultant's review? –Michelle said 6 months seems reasonable to have some ideas presented by the consultants to consider

Ombuds Activity and Reports

South Side Construction Progress Report – Mike McLees provided a handout update

Discussion:

- Dan – proposed moving horse arena and adding parking for horse trailers, as well as a loading/unloading area
- Lisa – bollards are a problem if someone just wants to load up and bring their horses down to the arena
- Michelle – maybe we could use some kind of lockbox with code that we give to horse arena users
- If horse people can't get to it, it won't be used; there is not enough parking, but we don't want to put more parking in the park; how can we protect the trails without a bollard
- ball fields parking has been an issue at other ball fields; method used-umpires, coaches and everyone was informed, and the game doesn't start until illegally parked cars are moved, easy to enforce, not unusual, this issue is faced everywhere

Upcoming Events – Dan announced several events taking place in the next few months

- March 10 – March for Meals/March for Mutts
- April 21 – ball fields opening
- April 22 – Earth day celebration

Letters to Stakeholders – Several addresses still missing

- A Piece of Heaven assisted living – phone number on sign, call for address

Comments

Committee members and citizen comments and additional business

- Goats – it was heard that neighbors are going to sell their goats
- Dan – we sent a letter to neighbors using the area, but stating we'll keep gates locked unless a request is specifically made
- There is a new alternate Kathi Schroeder. She is very active in the community and Eleanor will invite her to attend our next meeting to get updated on the things that are happening in North Clackamas Park.

Naming of Creek

Discussion:

- Having two names complicates issue for applying to Oregon Geographic Names Board
- Naming of Milwaukie Center was confusing; we don't want a repeat
- JoAnn – if we go through with this, I will work on it, but it requires a lot of effort; please come up with one name suggestion and come to a consensus in this group before we proceed
- The two suggestions currently on the table are Camas Creek and Park Creek
- Sally – hoped maybe we could get it named and on the map before all the upcoming development happens
- Susan – likes the idea of naming the creek

Action: Add item to agenda for next month's meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:05 pm.

Next meeting will be held on March 28, 2007 from 4 to 6 pm at the Milwaukie Center.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

for

North Clackamas Park

May 23, 2007

Milwaukie Center

MEETING SUMMARY

PRESENT

Representatives Eric Shawn (chair), JoAnn Herrigel, Eleanor Johnson, Sally Shook, John Denny, Fr. Matthew Tate, Tony Clark, Lisa Gibson

Alternates Susan Shawn, Steve Berliner

Guests Dick Shook, Pat and Anne O'Donnell, Diane Mathers

Staff Dan Zinzer, Michelle Healy, Kristen Cacka, Kevin Cayson, Joe Loomis

ABSENT

Representatives None

Alternates Holly Denman, Jim Schuld, Rick Frank, Kathi Schroeder, Beth Ragel

Introductions and Minutes

Eric Shawn opened the meeting with a welcome and introductions. He then asked the committee to review the April meeting minutes. John Denny made a motion to approve the minutes. JoAnn Herrigel seconded the motion.

Action: The April minutes were approved.

South Boundary

Eric Shawn summarized the history of the south boundary of the park. He noted that in the course of planning for the south side, it was assumed that adjacent property owners would continue to have access to their property through the park. However, issues with vandalism during construction had led to locks being placed on the access gates.

Discussion:

- Dan-There will be access, but we need to figure out how we will monitor and coordinate this. Should neighbors have unlimited access day or night? When park is closed? Should we have neighbors call to have the bollard removed when they need access?
- Eric-have neighbors been in need of access after hours in the past? Can we give them a key?

- Eleanor-I don't think they mind gates being locked, but originally they had a key for access
- Susan-there are 10 homes there on the south side
- Sally-they have never had access after closing, why give it to them now?
- JoAnn-issue was resolved by saying gate will be locked until they call to get access (individual gates)
- Dan-they were to give 24-hr notice
- Eleanor-over the years my son-in-law uses the gate because he can't drive across creek, and he's not necessarily able to give 24-hr notice
- Eric-one option is to put both padlocks on it, one from neighbors and one from district
- Dan-only need one lock, we don't need access to their properties
- Eric-another option is to put a programmed electronic padlock-can only be unlocked between certain hours-that person can come and go as needed while park is opened; why is it a problem to have their own padlock on it?
- Dan-we put on locks because of nighttime problems with vandalism
- Eleanor-contractors always have problems with vandalism, things might be better when there's not that attraction
- Dan-there will be a locked bollard to keep vehicles from passing through to that back area unless we need to open it up to give access
- Susan-Amiguitos School cannot access the park now, and they are dismayed; that's one gate where I know they want access during the day but not at night
- Eric-what if the bollard is the only thing locked? And people can lock their own gates if they want
- Dick-plans for south side fence will be installed along boundaries, but the plans say the fence will be repaired
- Eleanor-don't think they use those back gates that much
- Susan-so the park is essentially now a compound
- Dan-yes, at night it will be locked, but people can still come through the front vehicle gate and across the creek, etc
- Eric-can't walk through early in morning
- Dan-well, we can open it earlier in the morning during the summer
- JoAnn-have land owners manage locks but make them aware that for their own protection and for the park we'd like to have them locked
- Susan-can we try an experiment with this for 3 or even 1 month
- Dan-sure, I'm comfortable if there's a consensus
- Eric-consensus measuring tool: the proposal is to have the bollard be locked unless the Parks District opens it, and let owners lock their own gates
    - John Denny, Lisa Gibson-2
    - All others-1
- John-would like to have Parks be able to lock the gates if need be when there's vandalism; want Parks to be able to respond to vandalism as necessary
- Lisa-agree with John, but also worried that bollard will keep people from taking horses down there when they want to, without giving advance notice
- Kevin-bollard is currently down only during ball games
- Lisa-need sign at bollard with cell phone number to call to have it unlocked; otherwise it's really cumbersome
- Kevin-when arena is up we'll fine-tune access
- Steve-is the assumption that the park is only open during public open hours, and that includes to neighbors?
- Dan-that's our assumption

- Steve-aren't vandals more likely not to be adjacent property owners?
- Michelle-we also need to just make sure there's open communication so we can work together to discuss this, because it's for their protection as well since we can't guarantee people are not going onto their property from the park
- Susan-get list of those people with gates, have names and phone numbers for them so they know who to call
- Eleanor-unfortunately I don't think there's a real answer to vandalism, we just have to hope there are enough people that try to keep vandalism out
- Eric-sounds like we have consensus
- Dan-what I heard is that we'll notify them to put a lock on their own gate, and we'll take ours off, then let them know park hours are – to – and we assume you'll abide by the printed hours of opening; call Kevin if you need bollard removed

Action: The Parks District will notify south side neighbors that we will be removing our locks. District will ask property owners to put locks on their own gates, and remind property owners of posted park hours, asking them to abide by these hours. District will provide call-in information for requesting that the bollard be removed.

Ball Field Gates

Joe Loomis reported on access to the ball fields. He noted that the main reason for keeping the gates locked is that the fields are prepped every day for evening games. Additionally, equipment is stored there, and the District would like to deter theft and vandalism.

Discussion:

- Sally-when ball fields were developed we were told that they would be available for public use
- Susan-we were assured over and over again that fields would be available if games weren't scheduled; can't we just have one field open, and the rest locked?
- Joe-I would encourage adults to volunteer to supervise; but someone needs to be there to protect against vandalism and theft
- Susan-what if families just want to come down and play a pick-up game
- Joe-we could have open hours
- Eleanor-is it still a community park?
- Susan-it is not a community park; it's not open to the public, we have $4M worth of public money into it and it's now exclusive
- JoAnn-I like the idea of open hours for one field so people could come in; what specific concerns are there for vandalism?
- Joe-maintenance items, chalking machines, etc
- JoAnn-could we lock up everything in the other fields?
- Eric-what we come up against is a series of public statements saying they would be open, and they're not; so I think if we can come up with a solution to allow the community to go in there we need to do that; since it was mentioned publicly that there would be access we need to provide access
- Joe-I still feel that we really need an adult supervisor
- JoAnn-If I went down there with my kids, is that adult supervision?
- Joe-it's really not even my call
- Sally-can we move equipment temporarily into one of the other three fields?
- Tony-if someone uses it do we have to prep it again before games?

- Joe-yes
- Tony-so that's a big labor cost there as well
- John-the only people who play ball on school fields now are in a team, not just anyone goes in there now
- Eric-are there any ball fields anywhere where you can go play a pickup game?
- Dan-there are others but they're kind of out in the boonies
- Eleanor- I don't remember it being inferred that this was to be a private ball park, and that's what we have now; nobody ever said that they wouldn't be available for public use
- JoAnn-I'd like to propose that Dan and Joe come up with some way that we could maybe make this happen; is time helpful for you to come up with some proposal?
- Dan-we could do that
- Michelle-when do we not have games in there regularly?
- Joe-August
- Kevin-it takes a lot for them to keep those fields maintained, they can barely get it done by 5pm in time for the games to start
- Tony-we need a casual field somewhere else maybe
- Dick-could we put a separate lock/gate on the dugout that has the equipment in it?
- Eric-I like JoAnn's idea of having Joe and Dan find a solution later, we have about 5 mins before the consultants arrive
- Steve-public use might have to be during off-season when we're not worried about all the maintenance
- Dan/Joe-usually games from March through August, then weekends only in September and October
- Eric-let them come up with something
- Dan-we can figure out something

Action: Dan Zinzer and Joe Loomis will develop a proposed plan of action to allow both league and public use of the ball fields.

Ombuds Activity & Reports

Horse arena

Discussion:

- Dan-fence is ordered, will be here June 18, Oregon equestrian trails will have volunteers coordinated to install it, they say they're experts
- Lisa-what size will it be? To have a horse show we need 100x200; but an exercise area can be smaller
- JoAnn-asked Eric to respond in writing to a letter from the City of Milwaukie Planning Director, confirming consensus regarding the horse arena

Storm drainage

Discussion:

- Eric-Dan do you have any update on Layton's question about storm drainage?
- Dan-we went in and put a rock diverter, plantings, etc; but we haven't' had any real rain since then; it should work though because flow is not that much

Action: Eric Shawn will write the requested response to the City of Milwaukie.

Citizen Comments

Discussion:

- Dick-I have a citizen comment to make; when we had all our public meetings, we talked about noise from playing fields, but we never talked about motor noises of maintenance, it starts at 6am, and we never expected this, Sunday morning too
- Dan-that's another topic we can bring up as a community issue
- Eric-we're participating in County adopt-a-road project for Kellogg Creek Drive

Action: The issue of maintenance noise will be discussed at a later date as a community issue.

North Side Planning

Michelle introduced the consultants here from Alta Planning + Design, George Hudson and Mike Rose, and asked the committee to introduce themselves to the consultants.

Discussion:

- Michelle-want to keep the indoor part short because the really helpful part will be the walk-around with the consultants where we can point out what we're talking about; please help us get feedback and really represent your respective constituencies, any thoughts?
- JoAnn-this group is the guidance group for specific design questions, though we will have some open meetings, how can we facilitate the discussion so everyone can be included?
- Michelle-north side goals and objectives: we have multiple pages of specifics, but want to make sure we have the more general issues brought out; I think we're seeing this as a more passive recreation area; please look over the list we've made and let us know if we left any main issues out
- JoAnn-I would add Milwaukie Center because it plays a big role
- Dick-add fisheries enhancement /protection or something under natural resources
- Kevin-infrastructure of restrooms or access to water for picnic areas
- Michelle-great, thanks, we'll keep adding to this as needed
- Tony-under dog run, add improve
- Steve-request adding stream enhancement, which would include fish habitat; where is property line?
- Michelle-sometimes it's the creek, but there is some donated property on other side of creek
- Steve-we should look for opportunities to change type of fence perhaps, along with fish enhancement, maybe repair fence, we shouldn't rule out doing enhancement on other side of creek since we're trying to serve the fish, not the people; an enhanced section of stream would look nicer too, and maybe we can get some volunteers for additional maintenance hours
- Michelle-please send any additional comments, and we will send them out to the group; what we're trying to get out of this is a conceptual strategy for the park, long-term use, and maybe implement in phases, we want strategies, plan, awareness of how much things cost, and how to implement these later on
- Susan-question for today, George, how can we best serve you now, when we're out there doing the walk-around?

- George-we want to hear your thoughts, I see it as a walk through the park where we're available to hear thoughts & ideas, people can point out things to us, everyone seems to have their own ideas and own uses, we want to hear it all
- Eleanor-lovely green open area, I would hate to see too much of that disturbed, don't want too many structures; we have a real problem with the areas to be rented out, we have a serious parking problem already and its not even summer; multiple uses and focus points with rose garden, ball fields, picnic areas, MC, and general use
- George-this is the largest park in district, south side changed, we want to create a unified vision working with you and with the public, lots of varied use, but we want to know what your vision is; is it a natural area, passive recreation, many elements look like they're not planned, not unified; what we will recommend for the whole park, there are given relationships, such as picnic areas near play structures, etc; is this a natural area, or more active recreation? We have wetlands mapping, dog run area-does have impacts, may be a management question, do we enhance it? A lot of parks we look at are having several areas so they rotate between opening them and let the other areas heal
- Eric-south side is more active sports-oriented, north side should be more passive, picnic areas and walking trails, with natural areas restored and protected-creeks, wetlands-keep their integrity intact, maybe even plant new oak and ash trees to replace those that are ailing
- Susan-we have lost lots of wildlife habitat in this area in the last year, any replanting or keeping trees, keeping this area protected as much as possible for the mental health of those that live around here; people spoke on earth day about what's needed to bring salmon back up creek-temp needs to be 15° C for the fish to live, our creek is 17° C so the water is a little bit too hot, we need more trees along creek and little pools where baby fish can be protected; Oregon Fish & Wildlife suggested in far northwest corner maybe we could build a little channel to be a fish refuge when the creek is flooding, so they don't just get washed down the creek; on other side of creek in donated property there is a swimming hole where we could build a channel into it for another protected area for fish; park is part of watershed, so we need to think in terms of that, not just park
- George-there is a fish report showing Coho and Cutthroat in creek now
- Sally-at confluence of Camas Creek and Mt. Scott Creek there could be a restored area
- Steve-planted with natives so at flood levels it would be a nice area to hold fish; maybe we can put gates in buffer area, get volunteers in and restore the buffer
- JoAnn-back to the general concept, one of the things I think the park has suffered from is just looking at one area at once, would like to see a real plan instead of putting up barriers to keep people out of wetlands etc, maybe develop park in such a way as to guide people on use, rather than blocking groups from each other

Following the indoor discussion, the group moved outdoors and walked around the north side of the park with the consultants. The discussion sections below correspond to the walking route taken by the group.

General Notes

- Create an arboretum with labeled plants
- Better signage
- North side for passive recreation

NE picnic area, by Milwaukie Center

- Sr. citizen exercise stations-extend walking trail from south side to go all around park (Susan)
- Would prefer wood chips or crushed gravel, not hard trails (Dick)
- Research use for sr. citizen stations, I've see them not get used (Tony)
- Don't extend trail to rose garden (Eleanor)
- If we want Camas Creek to be a wetland/natural area, we need to restore, plant, enhance it to make it look like a wetland-people keep asking why we're not mowing (Dan)
- Creek needs to become an enhanced area (Steve)
- Maybe put up aesthetically pleasing fence/barrier of some kind (Eric)
- All future planting on the north side should be native, such as snowberries, etc (Steve)
- Maybe occasionally we could use something pretty that's non-native (Sally)
- This is a perfect area for nature-scaping, with the educational component, to demonstrate how native plant landscaping can be beautiful (Tony)
- Plants could be labeled for educational purposes (Susan)
- Sr. citizen fitness plan through the Milwaukie Center to use exercise stations along walking trail
- Enhance wetland area north of center

Picnic shelter/parking (gravel) area

- Appears to be where dog-walkers park, is there a desire to pave this or get rid of it? (George)
- We need this parking, however, buses take up a lot of space here (four buses on lot now) (Tony)
- Maybe break up parking, put some closer to dogs (JoAnn)
- Parking is happening right up to and almost into the wetland area, no buffer
- Move buses to behind Milwaukie Center
- Buses were vandalized when they were behind the Milwaukie Center
- Where do buses get parked? In safety
- CCAB & friends bring alternatives
- Congestion on site, busy, intensity of use, parking
- Eliminate A-frame and replace with smaller shelters that aren't rented out
- Restrooms on west and east sides-better located
- Circulation flow-entrance?

Caretaker house

- This house is being moved, there is an opportunity to do something different with this area (George)
- Do we need a long-term presence/caretaker here? Anywhere? (Michelle)
- Can we put the maintenance shed elsewhere? (Dick)
- Restrooms are unattractive-remove or enhance (Tony)
- Restrooms can be moved, but location is limited to being near the existing sewer line (Michelle)
- Can we get restrooms to be open year-round? (Eric)
- Maybe leave one restroom open in winter, and more during summer (George) – idea seemed to be received favorably
- Picnic structure/areas-signs say areas are reserved, but areas look open for use (Eric)
- Thinking about putting in one RV pad for the park host/caretaker

- Would be nice to relocate picnic shelter away from parking (Tony)
- Nice to be able to unload stuff here for picnics/events (Dick)
- Maybe we could have a drive-in drop-off area next to picnic shelter without having it next to parking (JoAnn)
- Landscaping around picnic shelter would be nice (Dick)
- Maybe put shelter back toward creek where caretaker shelter is currently (Sally)
- The concrete pad under the picnic shelter is cracking. The structure will need to be renovated in the future.

Boneyard area

- Was another property that was donated and added to the park, but never integrated
- Would like a sanded volleyball area (John)
- If horseshoe area was rehabilitated I think they'd get used (Dick)
- Trail going along north side of Camas Creek, then along Mt. Scott Creek in buffer and behind dog run (Steve)
- Liked the Wildwood natural boardwalk area, where they used donated lumber (John)
- A boardwalk would be nice through the wet area (Steve)
- Educational/interpretive signage all along the boardwalk trail (John)
- Short term use of boneyard area to test separate dog runs
- We see more volleyball, badminton sand-based type sports, want an area for this
- Park maintenance needs space for equipment washing and storage of a few mowers and a vehicle.
- Could be used
- Path around natural side
- Dogs away from playground and picnics
- Another main building with storage and washdown area
- Flex space for picnic areas with kiosk for info

Dog park

- Fence is deteriorating, needs to be fixed (Tony)
- Wet area around watering hole, should be renovated, have a nicer surface (Tony)
- Whole dog park should be nicer, no holes/mud puddles, more varied landscape with hills, etc (Tony)
- A covered area for people when it's raining, and more seating in general; more access points to the park (Tony)
- Area not big enough to get larger dogs moving, separate areas would be good to keep barking down and to provide different things for the needs of large and small dogs, some dogs need lots of exercise (Tony)
- A permanent watering area with cement surface to keep mud down (Kevin)
- A clean water feature/pool for dogs where they could play but not get so muddy, something that could be drained for cleaning (Tony)
- Will need some type of areas for maintenance equipment storage (on north side), and a wash area to clean equipment-one that drains into sewer, not creek. Enough room for a few mowers and a tractor and a lockable building. Near the existing caretaker house will provide easy access to sewer. (Kevin)
- Wash-off station for dogs as well? (Steve)
- Add some trees in the off-leash area

Open area to west

- This area should be all native plantings (Susan)
- Restore creek area and make it an effective buffer? (George) -general agreement

Bridge to northwest

- More people should see this, I like the idea of nature trails (Tony)
- Remove all concrete rubble downstream from bridge (Eric)

Creek area on west side

- I'm hearing visually open up, but plant natives and maintain a sufficient buffer – we could plant low-growing stuff and the maintenance would be to keep invasives out (George) -general agreement

Creek area on east side

- There is a deep pool on the other side of the creek that was a swimming hole. Might be well suited for fish habitat.
- Wood program?
- No wood boardwalk?? Easily maintained
- Access to Creek for appreciation

Culverts

- Remove culverts, make natural, no bridge within 50 feet of Mt. Scott Creek, make inlet/refuge area for fish (Dick)
- Put in walking bridge a little further east to continue the walking trail all around the park (Sally)
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Meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.

Next meeting will be held on June 27, from 4 to 6 pm at the Milwaukie Center.

North Clackamas Community Park
North side Concept Plan Development
Project Kick-off - Stewardship Committee
May 23, 2007
5-7 pm

A. Introductions

Alta Planning + Design
George Hudson, Steve Durrant, Mike Rose

Pacific Habitat Services
John van Staveren

Stewardship Committee (Project Advisory Committee)

Friends of NCP -1 (Eric Shawn)
Milwaukie Center - 1 (Eleanor Johnson)
Dog Park - 1 (Tony Clark)
Friends of Mt. Scott/Kellogg Creek (Environmental) - 1 (Sally Shook)
Sports Groups -1 (John Denny)
City of Milwaukie - 1 (JoAnn Herrigel)
Institutional neighbors - 1 (Fr. Matthew Tate)
Horse Rep. -1 (Lisa Gibson)

Alternates: Susan Shawn, Jim Schuld, Steve Berliner, Beth Ragel, Rick Frank, Holly Denman and Kathi Schroeder

B. Role of Stewardship Committee as the Project Advisory Committee

- Work with staff and consultants to review technical information, public input and design ideas
- Encourage public participation and assist with outreach
- Communicate interests from each member's respective stakeholder group, and act as conduit for collecting input and exchanging information

C. Project Goals, Objectives and Elements

Elements*:

1. Natural Resources
    a. Wetlands
    b. Mt. Scott Creek
    c. Bridges
    d. Buffers
    e. Trees

f. Drainage

2. Recreation (e.g., trails, picnicking, horseshoes, etc.)
3. Dog Run (leave in place, relocate or remove)
4. Interpretive Signage (figure out themes and messaging, location, materials and number)
5. Caretaker/Park Host
6. Parking/Access

*Consultants have the list of comments and suggestions previously provided by the Stewardship Committee and others. The most up-to-date list will be distributed.

D. What is the expected final product?
   - Conceptual Site Plan (graphic)
   - Accompanying text narrative including a design development report, cost estimates, suggested implementation plan and natural resource management/restoration strategies
   - Construction documents and advanced engineering is not part of this process.

E. Project Timeline
F. Existing Conditions Discussion

EAT!

G. Park Walk (continue discussion of existing conditions)
H. What is next?

Notes on North Side Planning (includes Alta notes)
5/23/07 – Stewardship Committee (Project Advisory Committee)

General Notes

- Create an arboretum with labeled plants
- Better signage
- North side for passive recreation

NE picnic area, by Milwaukie Center

- Sr. citizen exercise stations-extend walking trail from south side to go all around park (Susan)
- Would prefer wood chips or crushed gravel, not hard trails (Dick)
- Research use for sr. citizen stations, I've see them not get used (Tony)
- Don't extend trail to rose garden (Eleanor)
- If we want Camas Creek to be a wetland/natural area, we need to restore, plant, enhance it to make it look like a wetland-people keep asking why we're not mowing (Dan)
- Creek needs to become an enhanced area (Steve)
- Maybe put up aesthetically pleasing fence/barrier of some kind (Eric)
- All future planting on the north side should be native, such as snowberries, etc (Steve)
- Maybe occasionally we could use something pretty that's non-native (Sally)
- This is a perfect area for nature-scaping, with the educational component, to demonstrate how native plant landscaping can be beautiful (Tony)
- Plants could be labeled for educational purposes (Susan)
- Sr. citizen fitness plan through the Milwaukie Center to use exercise stations along walking trail
- Enhance wetland area north of center

Picnic shelter/parking (gravel) area

- Appears to be where dog-walkers park, is there a desire to pave this or get rid of it? (George)
- We need this parking, however, buses take up a lot of space here (four buses on lot now) (Tony)
- Maybe break up parking, put some closer to dogs (JoAnn)
- Parking is happening right up to and almost into the wetland area, no buffer
- Move buses to behind Milwaukie Center
- Buses were vandalized when they were behind the Milwaukie Center
- Where do buses get parked? In safety
- CCAB & friends bring alternatives
- Congestion on site, busy, intensity of use, parking
- Eliminate A-frame and replace with smaller shelters that aren't rented out
- Restrooms on west and east sides-better located
- Circulation flow-entrance?

Caretaker house

- This house is being moved, there is an opportunity to do something different with this area (George)
- Do we need a long-term presence/caretaker here? Anywhere? (Michelle)
- Can we put the maintenance shed elsewhere? (Dick)
- Restrooms are unattractive-remove or enhance (Tony)
- Restrooms can be moved, but location is limited to being near the existing sewer line (Michelle)
- Can we get restrooms to be open year-round? (Eric)
- Maybe leave one restroom open in winter, and more during summer (George) –idea seemed to be received favorably
- Picnic structure/areas-signs say areas are reserved, but areas look open for use (Eric)
- Thinking about putting in one RV pad for the park host/caretaker
- Would be nice to relocate picnic shelter away from parking (Tony)
- Nice to be able to unload stuff here for picnics/events (Dick)
- Maybe we could have a drive-in drop-off area next to picnic shelter without having it next to parking (JoAnn)
- Landscaping around picnic shelter would be nice (Dick)
- Maybe put shelter back toward creek where caretaker shelter is currently (Sally)
- The concrete pad under the picnic shelter is cracking. The structure will need to be renovated in the future.

Boneyard area

- Was another property that was donated and added to the park, but never integrated
- Would like a sanded volleyball area (John)
- If horseshoe area was rehabilitated I think they'd get used (Dick)
- Trail going along north side of Camas Creek, then along Mt. Scott Creek in buffer and behind dog run (Steve)
- Liked the Wildwood natural boardwalk area, where they used donated lumber (John)
- A boardwalk would be nice through the wet area (Steve)
- Educational/interpretive signage all along the boardwalk trail (John)
- Short term use of boneyard area to test separate dog runs
- We see more volleyball, badminton sand-based type sports, want an area for this
- Park maintenance needs space for equipment washing and storage of a few mowers and a vehicle.
- Could be used
- Path around natural side
- Dogs away from playground and picnics
- Another main building with storage and washdown area
- Flex space for picnic areas with kiosk for info

Dog park

- Fence is deteriorating, needs to be fixed (Tony)
- Wet area around watering hole, should be renovated, have a nicer surface (Tony)
- Whole dog park should be nicer, no holes/mud puddles, more varied landscape with hills, etc (Tony)

- A covered area for people when it's raining, and more seating in general; more access points to the park (Tony)
- Area not big enough to get larger dogs moving, separate areas would be good to keep barking down and to provide different things for the needs of large and small dogs, some dogs need lots of exercise (Tony)
- A permanent watering area with cement surface to keep mud down (Kevin)
- A clean water feature/pool for dogs where they could play but not get so muddy, something that could be drained for cleaning (Tony)
- Will need some type of areas for maintenance equipment storage (on north side), and a wash area to clean equipment-one that drains into sewer, not creek. Enough room for a few mowers and a tractor and a lockable building. Near the existing caretaker house will provide easy access to sewer. (Kevin)
- Washoff station for dogs as well? (Steve)
- Add some trees in the off-leash area

Open area to west

- This area should be all native plantings (Susan)
- Restore creek area and make it an effective buffer? (George) -general agreement

Bridge to northwest

- More people should see this, I like the idea of nature trails (Tony)
- Remove all concrete rubble downstream from bridge (Eric)

Creek area on west side

- I'm hearing visually open up, but plant natives and maintain a sufficient buffer – we could plant low-growing stuff and the maintenance would be to keep invasives out (George) -general agreement

Creek area on east side

- There is a deep pool on the other side of the creek that was a swimming hole. Might be well suited for fish habitat.
- Wood program?
- No wood boardwalk?? Easily maintained
- Access to Creek for appreciation

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STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

For

North Clackamas Park

June 27, 2007

Milwaukie Center

MEETING SUMMARY

PRESENT

Representatives Eric Shawn (chair), JoAnn Herrigel, Eleanor Johnson, Sally Shook, Tony Clark

Alternates Susan Shawn

Guests Dick Shook, Pat and Anne O'Donnell, Rosemary Crites

Staff Dan Zinzer, Kristen Cacka, Kevin Cayson

ABSENT

Representatives John Denny, Fr. Matthew Tate, Lisa Gibson

Alternates Holly Denman, Steve Berliner, Jim Schuld, Rick Frank, Kathi Schroeder, Beth Ragel, Dave Somann

Introductions and Minutes

Eric Shawn opened the meeting with a welcome and introductions. He then asked the committee to review the May meeting minutes. Eleanor Johnson asked if the minutes could be briefer, for the benefit of the person taking them. Eric stated that he liked the detail, to limit the need to go back and make corrections from memory. Eleanor made a motion to approve the minutes. JoAnn Herrigel seconded the motion. Susan noted that she had not had a chance to read the minutes. Eric said that in the future NCPRD will send the minutes out to the entire committee in advance.

Action: The May minutes were approved, pending changes from those who haven't read them.

Horse Arena

Eric introduced the issue with the horse arena. At our meeting on May 23, JoAnn asked Eric to write letter stating the consensus from the Stewardship Committee. There is a need to review and come to a consensus with the committee that we can send in to the City of Milwaukie regarding the size and orientation of the arena. Equestrian representatives requested a 100' x 200' arena, as well as pull-through parking. Switching orientation from east-west to north-south allows room for parking, but reduces the arena to 100' x 180' because of the water line to the north. The question is, is there

a significant problem with building the arena over the water line? Does it make the water line inaccessible? What is the impact?

Discussion:

- Dan-the paved path overlays the arena as well, but shifting to east reduces horse trailer parking
- Eric-could size of maintenance compound (to east of parking) be reduced?
- Dan-talking to Lisa, smaller size does not reduce the number of horses in show (26 possible), but she still prefers 100' x 200'
- Eric-Dave Somann, alternate, also prefers the larger size, but since neither rep has shown up to the meeting, we need to come to consensus among us
- Susan-can we call Lisa and ask about corners being rounded to allow the arena to be extended north?
- Eric-the impression is that they would be rounded like old arena
- Dan-no we planned square
- Dan-what do they do in the arena with 26 horses?
- Dick-all walk in a circle and obey commands as called out, such as, trot, canter, etc
- Kevin-we already have fencing ordered for a 100' x 180' arena, we'd have to order more; it will take longer if we make it bigger, and the footing for the floor of the arena is expensive
- Eric-footing specifications are from a university with a horse program, a local contractor, and conversations with local equestrian people, description in handout I've developed; the questions for consensus are:
    1. size
    2. orientation
    3. timing of footing installation
- Dan-can't get footing done for larger size for use this summer
- JoAnn-what type of parking is being installed, because the orientation is being driven by the parking issue
- Susan-coaches will use parking
- Dan-just make it unpaved, pervious, almost like it is now for overflow parking, it's hard as a rock right now, I don't think horse arena will be in use in rain when parking could be difficult
- Eric-is this a code issue between the city and county?
- JoAnn-what the district is submitting is a reorientation of arena
- Eleanor-how many times will they be using per year?
- Dan-maybe 5 according to horse people, plus occasional people who just want to ride in addition to shows, JoAnn, is there an ordinance showing we can't just park on grass?
- JoAnn-will have to check with planning department
- JoAnn-it's up to the horse people whether they want more space for parking or more for horses, it's a tradeoff
- Susan-going back to timing issue, if rails go up so they can use for summer, then put in footing with drainage later on, can you do parking also later on?
- Dan-I hadn't planned on doing much with parking
- Susan-it's nice having less pavement
- Dan-after heavy rain that might be a problem if we don't develop the parking
- Susan-but they can still park on the road
- Dan-in the rain, there is usually plenty of parking because no one else is out there

- Sally-I'm wondering if there's any way to change the level of dust coming from the fields, I have to dust every day now
- JoAnn-where's dust coming from?
- Sally-from dragging the fields, I can imagine it's a lung problem, can they dampen it?
- Dan-they soak it before the games
- Dick-after they drag it?
- Kevin-they wet it before and after dragging
- Dick-do they do it differently during the week? Looked like fields were dry when they were dragging
- Anne-there's no possibility for changing times for this year?
- Dan-it's already booked right up until the 10 pm shut-down; they'd have to find somewhere else to play their first four games since tournaments are already scheduled
- Susan-I have a recommendation that we table this conversation for today and pick it up again next month with a heads up to ball reps and others from the neighborhood to attend
- Dan-that would also give us a chance to get Joe Loomis here
- Susan-and have Kevin Cayson attend also, maybe we can adjust which maintenance activity is done first to offer relief for this year on maintenance noise; we don't have the people here to make a decision today, so that gives us another month of torturing people
- Dan-they can wait to use the blowers until later, as far as I know we already asked them to use the blowers last
- Susan-with all this activity going on I don't have a place to go for peace and quiet
- Sally seconds idea to table discussion until later
- Rosemary-I appreciate all you're doing; I think you're working to make it livable, but the thing that gets on my nerves like fingernails on a chalkboard is the screaming; I just wanted to tell you my frustration, because I'm representing others from the neighborhood

Action: It was agreed that this discussion will be tabled until the next meeting.

Ombuds Activity & Reports

Updates on public access to the ball fields, north side planning, and the dog park.

Public access to ball fields

Discussion:

- Dan-schedule's been adjusted, every day there's a field available for public use
- Anne-how do people get in?
- Dan-walk in, gates are unlocked when they're available for use
- Kevin-they line all the other fields first, then kick people out of 4th field to line last, just before games

North side planning

Discussion:

- Kristen-handouts from June 20th public meeting were distributed, showing top priorities for the north side, as well as an updated list of comments received to date; consultants will be here next stewardship meeting with 2-3 concept plans for us to review; next round of revised concepts will be presented at the second public meeting

Dog Park

Discussion:

- Tony-don't divide the existing dog park, just add a smaller section for small dogs, large dogs need a larger area to reduce concentration issues
- Dan-so can we wait to do the dividing then until after north side planning is done?
- Tony-sounds good

Committee Comments

Discussion:

- Susan-I was impressed with the north side planning meeting, Michelle really did a great job
- Eleanor-I heard nothing but compliments from people who stayed at that meeting
- Tony-can we move the Stewardship Committee meeting to 5-7 instead of the current time so we can get more people here? Maybe that's why some of our members are not attending, can we poll members?
- JoAnn-we can poll members, we are losing 1 or 2 now, and if we change it how many would we be losing? Is it worth it?
- Eric-Kristen should do a poll via email to see where people are at
- Dick-noticed blackberries are getting large again, would like permission to come down and do some trimming; shaded so fruit isn't that great
- Eric-do you know when contractor will remove erosion control fence?
- Kevin-contractors have to do final inspection on ball fields construction before we can remove them
- Dick-oak trees?
- Dan-trees haven't been received yet, but will be here soon
- Susan-past artwork there's a buffer planting, could I pull some weeds that are choking some special plants that you planted there; want to make sure they live; worried about the smaller plants
- Kevin-if it's an invasive weed, I don't have a problem, just tread lightly
- Susan-just right along trail, not going to walk far back
- Eleanor-how high are you going to let it get?
- Kevin-it's supposed to be a natural area, so as high as it naturally gets
- Eleanor-I think it's ugly

Action: Kristen will send out email to committee members soliciting feedback on meeting times. Dick has permission to trim the blackberries. Susan has permission to do some weeding in the buffer planting.

Eleanor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Susan seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 5:34 pm.

Next meeting will be held on July 25, from 4 to 6 pm at the Milwaukie Center.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

for

North Clackamas Park

July 25, 2007

Milwaukie Center

MEETING SUMMARY

PRESENT

Representatives Eric Shawn (chair), John Denny, Eleanor Johnson, Sally Shook, Tony Clark, Lisa Gibson, Fr. Matthew Tate

Alternates Rick Frank, Susan Shawn

Guests Dick Shook, Liz Lawson-Weber, Rosemary Crites, Jeff Giles, Agnes Obritschkewitsch, Denny Norton, John Erich, Don Martin, Jim Ballou, Sandy Fox, George Hudson, Mike Rose, Robin Wilcox

Staff Gary Barth, Michelle Healy, Kristen Cacka, Kevin Cayson

ABSENT

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Introductions and Minutes

Eric Shawn opened the meeting with a welcome and introductions. He then asked the committee to review the June meeting minutes. Susan Shawn made a motion to approve the minutes. Sally Shook seconded the motion.

After approval of the minutes, Eric reviewed the operating agreements. These included mission, vision, goals, consensus measurement process and discussion process. Eric noted that the order of discussion is to go around the room and allow the members of the Stewardship Committee to speak in turn, then guests would be given the opportunity to speak.

Action: The June minutes were approved as read.

North Side Planning

Michelle introduced the consultants from Alta Planning + Design, Mike Rose, George Hudson and Robin Wilcox. Mike Rose presented an overview of the three preliminary concepts, asking for as much feedback as possible to finalize these ideas to take to the next public meeting. He noted that so far we've received strong ideas for what should happen, and not a lot of conflict. The strongest ideas were to keep it natural, have

walking trails and passive recreation areas as opposed to the active recreation on the south side. Most people didn't want a lot of change, just improvements to what's there. Parking was a big issue, as well as key features such as storage for the Milwaukie center, a maintenance facility for storage and washing and a place for the caretaker that will likely be in the park during the summer.

Concept A: minimal impact, keep it natural

One of the key features of concept A is the off-leash area. There has been lots of debate about how and where this should be done. We did some research on what makes a good dog park and the existing dog park is right on average size at 1.1 acres. We also researched how dog parks should work, and found that entrances should not be in corners, we need a hard surface by water to avoid mess, and that the entrance to the dog park should be a plaza with water pond, benches for owners, etc. All concepts take this into account.

Here in concept A the walking trail goes all the way around and connects to the current trail and the dog park moves to the east. This trail can be wood chip, wood planar shavings that compact well into a nice walking surface, or gravel such as at Tryon Creek Park.

We also examined the pond to the north. One idea was to restore it with access to the creek, possibly as a refuge for salmon. Unfortunately, the pond is so much higher in elevation than the creek, this is just not feasible. At this point it is best suited to being left natural.

As you can see in the concept plan, parking has been removed from the north side, with parking around the Milwaukie Center reconfigured to allow more spaces. We have enhancement of the wetland area right beyond the "Wetland Window" sculpture, and exercise stations are scattered throughout the park.

Discussion:

- Eleanor-how do you meet ADA requirements?
- Mike-the trail compacts really tight to allow wheelchair access, particularly if using a specific type of gravel that we've used with success in the past
- Eleanor-if people are coming to use the park, where are they going to park? There's not enough parking
- Mike-this is only one concept, but we'll take that into consideration as we refine the preliminary concepts

Concept B: maximum use

Parking is added to double the size of current parking. Added parking is paved, with a driving loop. There is an improved crossing with a bridge to the additional parking. The caretaker is located off of the parking area, along with restrooms and the maintenance facility. There are also more picnic tables and structures near the play area.

This concept moves the dog park to the northeast corner, leaving more open space for recreation. There is a bridge from the Milwaukie Center across into the dog park area.

The loop trail doesn't go beyond the dog park, however, but stays to the west of the off-leash area. There is wetland enhancement on the northern border by the creek, with exercise stations all clustered in one spot along the trail. Fencing delineates the buffer area. There are some areas where there is a break through the buffer, but there are

structures in place to keep the area protected, such as a boardwalk with viewing platform that allows people to look without disturbing the natural areas. There is also an additional play area with large boulders for kids to play on or some other type of natural play structure.

Discussion:

- Guest-what about trees in the dog area?
- Mike-the existing trees stay in the dog area
- JoAnn-how do dog owners get to the dog park?
- Mike-they can park in the second parking lot and cross the soft-surface path to get into the dog park
- Tony-how big is the dog area?
- Robin-although they are different shapes, all concepts have roughly the same size dog park, matching the current size of 1.1 acres
- Mike-research shows the shape of the dog park doesn't matter, dogs tend to run around the perimeter regardless of the shape

Concept C: hybrid of A and B

In concept C, there is a new parking area, but reconfigured and smaller than in concept B. There is a trail all the way around the perimeter, with the horseshoes moved to the northeast corner. Additionally, the large picnic shelter has been moved, but is still close to the parking area. Smaller picnic shelters are spread throughout park.

There is a new maintenance crossing over Camas Creek near Mt. Scott Creek but outside the 50-foot buffer. Maintenance needs a link across the creek, so the new bridge is put in farther east and the existing culverts removed. Once again, the wetlands are enhanced in front of the "Wetland Window."

In this concept, exercise areas are spread out in small clusters of 3 in 4 each location. Restrooms are in basically the same area but with new buildings. The mature tree canopy is nice now, but we need a plan to allow the park to maintain tree canopy in the future by planting some new trees for succession.

The educational overlooks remain in the northwest corner. The area beyond the creeks and the pond area are staying natural with no interference. Coyotes, quail and other wildlife have been sighted in the park by the caretaker, and we want to leave an area for them to live. Environmental consultant John Van Staveren of Pacific Habitat Services said the pond would be a great environment to reintroduce native turtle habitat. However, we don't want people poking around capturing these turtles so we would not be placing a viewing platform there. Too much education and viewing would perhaps encourage destruction of the turtle habitat. This concept also includes a native plant garden just north of the Milwaukie Center, restoration of the meadow and creek itself and restoring native grasses and wildflowers.

Discussion:

- Eleanor-what happens to the bone yard?
- Mike-restoration planting, picnic shelter, or dog park depending on concept
- Dick-what about access to park for people from ball fields parking?
- Mike-on concept A there is a path drawn just west of the Milwaukie Center parking lot to connect to the other side of the park
- John Denny-what about bus parking?

- Mike - the caretaker said incidents of vandalism and theft have gone down significantly since there has been increased park use due to ball fields
- Eleanor-are we keeping the caretaker?
- Michelle-we need a presence at least in summer to monitor what's going on with all the events
- Mike-we did some research, and the caretaker needs to remain in current location to monitor comings and goings, moving it to another location restricts visibility
- Tony-can the concepts be on the website?
- George-Alta will put them up on their site
- Michelle-the next public meeting is August 22 from 6-8 pm, please attend
- Gary-parking is a net increase on all?
- Mike-concept A is about the same but less invasive, B doubles parking, C is about the same amount of parking

George then asked that participants walk around to view the concepts and then come back with further comments. About 15 minutes were taken for viewing time.

- George-can we get some general feedback, likes and dislikes?
- Tony-with the dog run in the northeast corner there is not enough drainage, ground would have to be prepared
- George-on our maps it is out of the flood plain, we thought it would be dry enough, but we'll note that
- Dick-as to the exercise stations, would they get used? thought they fell out of popularity
- George-take a look at the booklet we are passing around- there are different kinds of stations, more modern, and when placed strategically near the senior center, they should get use
- John-we must make sure we maintain them so they last
- Susan-people that I talked to from the walking program were thrilled with the idea of exercise stations
- Michelle-at the Friends of the Milwaukie Center meeting, they liked the idea and suggested including programming at the Milwaukie Center to use them in walking programs
- Dick-clusters make sense then, so if there's a group doing the walk several people can be using the exercise stations at once
- John-install durable footing that's going to last
- George-we'll get into that level of detail later
- Tony-compromise on parking seems good in C
- George-formalized parking tends to make more parking because people park in an orderly fashion instead of all over
- Lisa-I think they need more parking-I like the existing parking reconfigured to add more spaces, plus the plan B additional paved parking
- Rosemary-we don't need more parking, I don't see that there's a problem
- Lisa-Eleanor, has there been a problem?
- Eleanor-last Thursday is a good example, there was a two-day tournament and no parking anywhere; another day there were ballgames, two weddings, plus Milwaukie Center events, and again there was no parking
- Rosemary-this is not supposed to be a commercial venture
- Eleanor-then how are we supposed to keep the Center and its programs going?
- Rosemary-well maybe you shouldn't be doing all this, or send out grants

- Eleanor-honey, we send out grants all the time, you have no idea
- John-put up reserved signage to say that this parking is only for the Milwaukie Center, and note overflow parking at church on signage because no one knows
- George-we can also have leagues note on the website where to park and set a policy on RV's parking in here; I would caution you that this is a park first and foremost, one of our guidelines was to keep this as natural as possible; we don't want to design for peak demand because most of the time you'll have too much asphalt out there
- Rick- people will get creative on where to park, so make sure buffers are protected if parking is not increased
- Mike-enhancing the wetland area by sculpture would remove decaying bridge
- Michelle-(to consultants) do we need more information? What about the dog park?
- Dick-I would go with A and move it down as close to the maintenance area as possible
- Sally-what does meadow mean, will it be different than the mowed grass we have now?
- George-that's up for discussion, but we can do wildlife plantings there
- Sally-I would maybe be concerned with fire with dry grasses, but if we irrigate that would solve the problem; I think a meadow would maybe eliminate some of the maintenance noise
- Guest-during ball games, people practice in open area of mowed grass behind ball fields, so that means the only area we have for open recreation is on the north side, we need to keep that space available
- Kevin-can you define what meadow means? Grass height?
- George-grass height of native grasses would be about 18"
- Kevin-so you're not going to throw a Frisbee out there?
- George-no, probably mow once or twice a year
- Kevin-if you look at what we have now, you can't keep the weeds out of the wild areas
- George-so there are maintenance concerns with a meadow, okay
- Susan-area is narrow, not really good for playing games, so we might as well have a meadow
- Michelle-we need to move on to our next topic, but please call or email so I can keep track of all comments and continue this discussion, the plans will be up on Alta's website

Ball Field Hours

Eric introduced the topic, stating that the conversation started in June but was tabled until this meeting. Probably what's on everyone's minds is the game that went on into the night, past the 10 o'clock closing. Why don't we have Committee members go around and give their comments and then open it up for everyone. The only thing I can say is that turning off the lights at a certain time is a condition of approval from the City of Milwaukie. The decision to operate past 10 was in direct violation, but maybe the people who made that decision weren't aware.

Discussion:

- Michelle-I was surprised to hear about this issue. Maintenance should not be going on in the evenings, as well as with the lights. People weren't aware of the situation when they continued the games. As far as maintenance noise goes, you'll

be happy to hear that Kevin has purchased new quieter blowers. They still are not supposed to be using them before 7 am. We have all been learning with this new experience, and I really want to encourage this group to work through this issue, even if we need to meet more often to resolve it. Games are already scheduled this year, but this is a learning process, so today I want to hear some more discussion. I want to hear what everyone has to say, and I want to apologize about the night noise. I would personally be very upset as well - that's unacceptable.

- Dick-we just have to keep Mantay out of it
- Susan-don't worry, we're going to let Jon Mantay know that he violated the condition of approval!
- Sandy-giant grain of salt, but something was going on yesterday around 6:30 am, on Monday, I'll videotape it if you want, I'm up at a quarter to five so I hear everything, it's the same type of noise I hear every morning
- Kevin-it's not our guys, might be the management company, but shouldn't be, we've been over it and over it
- Guest-who decided 7? that's too early anyway
- Lisa-it's the same in the City of Milwaukie and Portland
- Kevin-please videotape it if you can so I know what's going on - there shouldn't be maintenance going on that early
- Eric-Let's have the Committee members go around and give their comments now
- Susan-Kids at games are not a bother to me, but I do get a lot of emails from those around the park, and this has been a major upheaval. It probably has people more upset than anything so far, and I really hope we can come to some kind of agreement or contract so next year we all understand what the agreement is and people around here are all okay with it. I don't think games should start before 10am - on a Sunday 8 is plenty early, which is when maintenance would start.
- Tony-no comment
- Father Matthew-I think when you look at the property given for the park, the family made a stipulation that nothing be done that is not okay with neighbors. That promise was broken and we're feeling the effects. I'm really disappointed that the county, city and all these levels allowed this. It's like moving a Wal-Mart in and it just doesn't make sense. This doesn't belong here. It disturbs our services on Sunday, especially when there's organized cheerleading with that pumping sound. If I lived here I guess I'd be looking to sell, but I don't think that people should be put in that position. I stand on the porch sometimes when games are going on with the lights. Traffic seems okay, but noise is horrendous. Sitting in the office at the church at 9pm on Saturday nights, a cacophony of sound is bombarding me. I am hugely disappointed. Any mitigating that can be done for impact on the neighbors should be done. Something serious has been taken away from us now.
- Lisa-no comment right now
- Sally-I think Father Tate put it in a nutshell how the neighborhood feels, and on the late night thing. And there's the sign saying "promises made, promised kept." Well they made promises to us too and they weren't kept. I was talking to Lynn Peterson last night, and told her that we had brand new double-pane windows put in for sound reduction. She said that when light rail was put in this was offered to close neighbors for mitigating. Maybe we could do something like that.
- Rick-we have games nationwide in every city, every state, it's a part of life, Father Tate has a bell that rings every Sunday, and...
- Sandy-that bell rings for only a short time, we listen to the ball games 15 hours a day, 30 hours a week, see how you like it

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

for

North Clackamas Park

September 26, 2007

Milwaukie Center

MEETING SUMMARY

PRESENT

Representatives Eric Shawn (chair), John Denny, Eleanor Johnson, Sally Shook, JoAnn Herrigel, Fr. Matthew Tate

Alternates Rick Frank, Susan Shawn, Dave Somann

Guests Dick Shook, Anne and Pat O'Donnell, Rosemary Crites, Nick Bugliari, Todd Sonflieth, Jim Newman

Staff Dan Zinzer, Michelle Healy, Staci Hammond, Kevin Cayson

ABSENT

Representatives Tony Clark, Lisa Gibson

Alternates Holly Denman, Jim Schuld, Kathi Schroeder, Beth Ragel, Steve Berliner

Introductions and Minutes

Eric Shawn opened the meeting with a welcome and introductions. He then asked the committee to review the August meeting minutes. JoAnn noted a typo in the first paragraph. The item will be corrected in the minutes. Eric motioned to approve the minutes as read. Sally Shook seconded the motion. Minutes were approved.

Action: The August minutes were approved with a minor correction.

Ball Field Hours

Eric Shawn introduced the topic of ball field hours. This has been a topic for an ongoing discussion.

Discussion:

John Denny met with Kids First to assess potential us of Alder Creek Middle School fields. Fields are booked. North Clackamas School District is interested in improving the fields. The school fields are already being used in conjunction with NCP for tournaments. Pressure on fields will increase as school construction take place.

Kids First could not reach consensus on changing start times. Softball coaches objected the strongest. Softball does a round robin on Saturday with finalists playing on Sunday. The weakest team then plays at 8am on Sunday. Softball tournaments tend to be fundraisers.

Soccer people objected to ideas because they feel that enough concessions have been made already. Milwaukie soccer is pretty angry.

No federal money was used to construct the ball fields. There was some state park money. $3.2 million was lottery money given for spending at the discretion of the county. Title 9 does not apply because no federal funds were involved.

Todd Sonflieth spoke with some people who were unable to attend. Baseball groups are willing to eliminate the back blowers in the morning by bringing in parents to use push brooms.

Rick went into the meeting trying to sell the idea. Why can horses and dogs make noise and not youth sports? A there sound readings that exceed 65 decibels? He expressed that youth sports has every right to use the park. If youth sports are to be restricted then rentals and other users must face the same restrictions. Why should sports have to change times at NCP when they have 8am games at other parks? The coaches and parents feel that youth sports is being singled out, picked on and discriminated against. Rick provided a list of parks for comparison.

Are backpack blowers needed primarily to clean up sunflower seeds?

Dave Somann described sound levels in Happy Valley Park. Sally mentioned that noise levels are lower since the new blowers were purchased.

Nick Bugliari coaches girls' softball. They played about 50 games, 30 or so at NCP. He was there for the game that went past 10:30pm. His association wants to be good neighbors. He emphasized that activities at NCP are no different then at any other park.

JoAnn mentioned that we are 45 minutes into a 15 minute conversation.

The topic is tabled until the next meeting. Discussion of options will continue between meetings.

Action: None

Clackamas LIVE! Event

Eric introduced the topic and thanked the District for mitigating the sound.

Discussion:

Dan Zinzer said the sound wasn't that hard. We tested both mornings and nights. We pointed the speaker towards that crowds which proved to be very effective. We tried to aim them to the south east. We had 1 email complaint about the noise but otherwise we had very good feedback. The turnout was lower than expected.

Dave Somann brought up the point of maybe planting some kind of sound absorbing vegetation around the park, like poplar trees.

The committee brought up the question, what about Waterfront Park in Milwaukie? Would that be more appropriate for next year's event? We would get a better turnout, more people, it would catch a lot of people just driving by and over the years the event will grow. A lot of people forgot about it.

Action: None

North Side Planning

Eric introduced the topic.

Discussion:

Michelle Healy explained that we are still collecting survey results until October 1st to try to gauge people's opinions and what they would like to see happen to the north side. At this point we have gotten 75 surveys back. The next north side planning meeting will be on Oct. 24 immediately following Stewardship from 6-8pm in the Trillium room. Once surveys are back we will send the results to the consultants and then they will come up with a refined concept of the results.

Michelle went over some of the results so far. Dan noticed that there was a big difference in what kind of fencing people wanted. Full fencing all the way around or some fence and some kind of vegetation buffer. The majority of people would like a mix of fencing and a vegetation buffer. Michelle stated that the fencing would be split rail. Some smaller picnic shelters are something the majority would like to see. At this point we are just waiting to get some more surveys back. We will be doing a mailer for the October meeting.

Sally Shook commented that neighbors are worried about the cyclone fence on the creek. It needs to be maintained and improved on the north side south of the creek. It also needs to be corrected for the creek. Maybe it could stop and start again on the other side of the creek in order to keep park users out of neighbor's yards.

Action: None

Horse Arena Plan Update

Eric introduced the topic.

Discussion:

Eric suggested separating the two concepts- Horse Arena/Parking. JoAnn has heard a positive response but will stay neutral. Committee wanted to know what the Milwaukie Center's view is. Eleanor wasn't sure. Eric stated that the city has requested a letter about the arena location. Committee discussed that they are on two different tracks; they don't know how the parking will occur and how the arena will occur. The CSU modification is for parking but we don't need it for the arena.

The committee brought up a few questions:

1. Can we change the name from parking to staging area?
2. Where do they leave the horse hitched up?

Susan said that they widened the walking trail by 20 feet which will fit about 5 trailers on the road. This is part of the City of Milwaukie's planning process. How much use for shows and things?

There are three groups that would love to use it right now. It would probably be used fairly often being that it is the only public arena in the area.

Most likely the horses will be hitched to their trailers. Maybe we could build hitching posts? It wouldn't be that expensive.

Eric- Ok, to move forward, all in agreement to get the letter out to the city? We are in support of both with 2 different timelines. Eric will write the letter and send it out tonight.

Dave said that gravel would be easier on horses and for cleanup. Dan wasn't sure if gravel was legal and will have to check.

Action: Eric will write and send letter to City of Milwaukie

Ombuds Activity & Reports

Eric introduced the topic of Ombuds Activity & Reports.

Discussion:

The committee brought up the issue of baseball warm-ups taking place in the northwest corner where the oak and ash trees are planted. They are worried that this will harm the trees. Some suggestions were made, maybe moving some big rocks over there to discourage players from practicing there.

Nick Bugliari, guest, said that this is usually only an issue if there are a lot of teams on the field practicing at one time. Under normal circumstances players aren't over there to his knowledge.

The committee suggested that the warm-up area be taken off of the map so people didn't think to go over there.

Dan said that it has been taken off all of the new maps but there might still be some old ones that people are using.

Action: None

Committee Member Comments

Eric introduced the topic of Committee Member Comments.

Discussion:

JoAnn informed everyone that The Johnson Creek Watershed Council was holding a silent auction with some very good raffle items. She encouraged everyone to come and check it out. It will be held on October 11th from 6pm to 9pm at Club Paesano in Cederville Park. Tickets cost $25.00.

Action: None

Citizen Comments

Eric introduced the topic of Citizen Comments.

Discussion:

Rosemary Crites brought up the topic of noise. There has still been no solution. She wants to know if it is possible rebuild the bleachers with some kind of sound blocking material. The noise should be directed toward the fields. The noise is coming from the parents cheering and screaming and not the kids playing. Can we put it

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

for

North Clackamas Park

November 28, 2007

Milwaukie Center

MEETING SUMMARY

PRESENT

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Alternates: Rick Frank, Steve Berliner, Dave Somann

Guests: Dick Shook, Anne and Pat O'Donnell

Staff Dan Zinzer, Michelle Healy, Staci Hammond, Kevin Cayson

ABSENT

Representatives: Fr. Matthew Tate, John Denny

Alternates: Holly Denman, Jim Schuld, Beth Ragel, Susan Shawn

Introductions and Minutes

Eric Shawn opened the meeting with a welcome and introductions. He then asked the committee to review the October meeting minutes. After some discussion about changes JoAnn motioned to approve. Rick seconded. Minutes approved with some minor changes.

Action: The October minutes were approved with minor corrections

North Side Planning

Eric Shawn introduced the topic of North Side Planning

Discussion:

Michelle- we are getting close to the "final" decision making time. We had our third public meeting and got some great input. We have Mike Rose here from Alta Planning to answer some questions we might have and also to explain some minor changes.

Dan- I just wanted to let everyone know that I have a Clackamas River Issues Consortium meeting at 6pm. I did contact the sound engineer. He will be doing a job in Estacada in December. We are making arrangements for him to come out and take a look. I just wanted everyone to know that it is in the works.

Dave- does he need the ball fields in motion?
Dan- no I can tell him where the sound issues are.
Michelle- ok now Mike is going to show the new concept plan and explain some of the changes that have been made. We want to get feedback from the Stewardship Committee.
Mike- there are a few minimal changes that have been made. One significant change is the maintenance yard has been relocated to where the caretaker trailer is. We have moved some of the exercise stations. We have decided that the wildflower meadow area was not wide enough for good growth, so we have moved it to a smaller area around the path of the park. It will make it easier for maintenance. I had a meeting with Mart Hughes about the Oak/Ash forest land. We got to thinking about what the plan is for when the trees go away/die. We are planning on doing some native plantings around the base of the trees that can take over when the older trees go. I just want everyone to know that the orange trees on the concept plan are new plantings so when they mature and the older ones die we still have a forest. In the dog park we duplicated the outside dog area. The shade structure inside the dog park will help bridge the gap between the small dogs and large dogs. Also the riparian buffer was expanded per John Van Stavren of Pacific Habitat. He said that 70ft buffer was average. We were 60ft so we were close.
Dan- Dick brought up the point about having a wider buffer between the dog park and the trail. That way the dogs won't be barking at people using the trail.
Mike- I think that is definatly doable.
Dick- I don't think you need a neighborhood path because there are not enough people that will use it. I was also concerned about the locations of some of the exercise stations.
Mike- those locations are still very flexible. Right now we have some that will be in the shade and some in the sun. Some of them will probably have to move in the final plans.
JoAnn- what about the paths on the north and south side of the creek? Why do we have one to the north and south of the same creek? Can people not move around the north side of the ball fields? The Milwaukie Park Board had asked that one path be considered rather than one on both sides of the creek.
Dick- the reason we have that path is to give people a figure 8 to walk which in turn will give you longer mileage for walkers.
Mike- we are also proposing that the trail be asphalt instead of concrete. It's not as harsh as concrete and is better for people to walk on.
Sally- exactly how big is the dog park?
Mike- same as before 1.2 acres- it's just split now for the division between small and large dogs.
Michelle- I sent Alta an email about keeping the size the same. It just shifted over and looks smaller.
Mike- it's narrower and longer.
Michelle- is the buffer 70ft all the way around?
Mike- it's only 70ft around Mt. Scott. Camas Creek has a 50ft buffer because it is not as important to shade the whole creek.
JoAnn- does the placement of parking reflect consensus?
Michelle- yes there is some concern about pedestrians crossing the parking lot though.
Mike- we could move the parking a little bit so it's not such a straight shot.

Michelle- the Milwaukie Center does not want speed bumps so maybe moving it over would be a good compromise.
Mike- the other thing is it is narrow so that would slow people down also.
Dave- where does the picnic shelter go?
Mike- well, long term it has structural issues. So we thought why not move it now and do something different, rather than having to repair problems as they come up.
Dick- what about the caretaker location?
Mike- that is the best spot to see everything. The utilities are all there and they will be able to see the whole park.
Sally- can't we have maintenance over on the south side?
Kevin- no, it's not big enough for all of the equipment.
Michelle- actually majority of the storage is used by the Milwaukie Center. It has stuff in there for meals on wheels, quilt rack, etc.
Sally- I just thought we could consolidate some areas.
Steve- what is the traffic plan? Safety? Are there no problems now?
Michelle- we haven't had any issues that I know about.
Steve- could we change the direction of traffic from clockwise to counter clockwise?
Dan- I raised the question with the Centers board and they preferred no change.
Steve- well I think speed bumps would be very good.
Dan- I am talking about raised concrete. It would be a very smooth transition.
Steve- I think some kind of speed control should be considered. I personally like the ones at Oatfield and 34th towards Hwy 224. They serve a valuable purpose. I do have a question about the exercise areas, is there any sense to have them covered?
Mike- we hadn't thought about a cover system. I do have some catalogs of shade covers that people can look at.
Sally- wouldn't we just plant trees there instead of building another structure?
Mike- yes, they could be added at a later date.
Dave- the one issue that may arise from having them covered is that they may attract kids after the park is closed, which could cause some trouble.
Michelle- Will there be any designated parking spaces for the Milwaukie Center buses?
Eric- will vandalism be a problem?
Mike- well, in the past, gas was being taken out of the buses but once the ball fields and the dog park became popular there have been no problems that we know of.
Michelle- the Milwaukie Center doesn't want the buses behind the center because they take up too much useful space, for Meals on Wheels. Maybe we could meet with the center to figure something out.
Dan- when we get the master plan we will only have funding for phase 1.
Mike- we will have to make up some kind of phasing plan and figure out what can fit in where. Ultimately the whole cost will decide what happens.
Michelle- the DAB brought up access to the creeks. I have heard both sides and the consensus is to protect the creek by limiting access. That also brings up permitting issues.
Dave- we can protect the creek by educating, if you can't get to the creek you can't educate.
Michelle- the problem is when you get people down there the banks start to wear away from all the usage.

Steve- there should be no swimming, no dogs. It needs to be overly policed. The vision of the creek should be healthy. Don't make it a water feature for the park.
Michelle- the Park is very popular and we don't want to fence it off.
Sally- why do you need a fence?
Ann- the neighbors feel that it will deter people. We wanted it to keep people out of private property and keep out garbage and messes.
Sally- also, how do you lock the park with no fence?
Michelle- we have to figure a type of fencing that will not prevent the wildlife because we want to keep the wildlife.
Dave- other parks have put in "doors" in the fence for animals to go through.
Michelle- these are all the things that we need to figure out. Where does it go in relation to the creek? We will need to put it in the plans.
Mike- you still want a split rail fence along the north side and a full fence on the other side?
Sally- right that way people can still get into the park at night.
Dave- the thing is fences will keep honest people out. It is the people that are looking for trouble that the fences won't keep out.
Eric- where does the fence line sit?
Mike- it will be near the top of the bank if not on the top of the bank.
Kevin- we need to see where the existing fence lays.
JoAnn- the concerns that I am hearing from this group are to keep people out of the creek and private property. This is not in sync with the DAB (which has expressed interest in increasing access to the creeks). If people have access to the water they don't do good things. Maybe we should keep it a way back so there are no problems.
Steve- what people don't understand is conflict of uses. A person playing in the streams is not good for the habitat.
Sally- I don't think it's good for kids to play in until the streams are clean. Right now they are not.
Steve- it's not good for the fish either.
Mike- we will have two educational signs to tell people why we are not letting them in the creek.
Eric- Is this an issue that needs to go on the agenda? Should we make a recommendation? Maybe a consensus vote?
Michelle- I just think if we get a consensus I can go to the DAB and say that this is what we think.
Rick- I think you are going to have a couple idiots that will climb over the fence because people still need to go to the creek. I prefer no access but, giving them a limited spot to do so properly may be better. They are going to get in there whether we say they can or not.
Eric- may I make a proposal? How about we say, visual access not physical access to the creek and not provide a specific way to get into the water.
Dave- if a school comes to do water work, how do they get to the water?
Eric- through the foliage
JoAnn- so no physical access but visual? Or no public access, or no uncontrolled public access?
Steve- If we have access to the creek at all the banks and foliage wont have time to recover. It will get better with time if people/dogs are not walking through it.
Eric- lets check consensus on: no uncontrolled public access to the creeks in the north side of North Clackamas Park.

It was unanimous all the way around that we don't allow uncontrolled public access

Michelle- we heard people want the dog park but some don't.
Sally- I felt that we do need a dog park in the area. We don't need to build one that is so wonderful, bigger and better that everyone wants to come here. A nicer park equals more dogs/noise. We need another dog park.
Tony- what do you mean wonderful? We are just revamping, no mud, new benches and new shelters.
Sally- well people say it's nice now and we are thinking it's going to be a busy park.
Tony- It just won't be a mud hole anymore.
Eric- what if the dog park isn't in phase 1? That will give more time for another dog park to open. That would take pressure off NCP. The new park could have new great features that people like better.
Michelle- what could we do to the dog run in phase 1? The fence?
Dick- when can we get a caretaker in to take care of noisy dogs?
Kevin- let's make sure that is in phase 1.
Tony- what would you not put in?
Rick- It's the most used thing in the park, we need more dog parks. To ignore it in phase 1 is not accomplishing what we want. I don't think it's smart to hold off on a major portion of North Side Planning.
Michelle- where are other areas for dog parks?
Ann- Harmony?
Michelle- It's still in the idea phase
Rick- I think it's critical in the 3 creeks area
Eric- what is the timing for developing phase 1?
Dan- we have $400,000 from Metro Green Spaces local share bond funds for parts of this in eligible areas. I don't think the dog park is eligible. We can hopefully start to make the first improvements this summer.
Michelle- Dog Park and skate parks are in every call we take on new properties. People want them; it is just finding the space to do them. Safety is an issue in the 3 Creeks area. Trail walkers don't expect trails like they do in parks. People say they don't feel comfortable going down to 3 Creeks.
Eric- if funding is not available for the dog park, it might stay at first.
Dan- we have to look at money and balance what the phases can and can't be.
Michelle- what do we think of this master plan as shown today?
Eric- I generally support it
JoAnn- generally support
Steve- generally support
Lisa- generally support
Rick- generally support
Sally- generally support with a little more clarification on fencing
Michelle- let's talk separately about that
Dave- generally support – move the traffic flow

Action: The committee will make a recommendation to the DAB for final approval with some small changes to the driveway and the neighborhood fence.

Interpretive Program

Eric introduced the topic of the Interpretive Program.

Discussion:

Michelle- we have had lots of interest in interpretive signage. Are there specific things we want educational signage about?
Mike- there are 3 different types of signage.

1. Informational – Rules, do's and don'ts – entrances
2. Educational – At overlooks, bridge areas and by the creek - buffer issues and/or wildlife.
3. Exercise stations – How to use and benefits of your workout

We need to figure out how we want them to look. What specific issues with lots of information. The general interpretive signs have 3 classifications: 3 to 5 second which is just them taking a quick look. 30 seconds, this would have a paragraph to glance at. And, 3 to 5 minutes to read whole thing. What do we think we want? We need to make sure we choose regulatory signs and we have to make sure we don't overload the park with signs.
Eric- have we thought of anything but location?
Mike- no; we want to know what should happen on the signs- minimal or complex signage.
Dan- has everyone looked at Mt. Talbert? We could go with recycled plastic but I think they look good.
Eric- how do we want to approach this?
JoAnn- this signage project is close to Susan's heart and I feel bad about not having her here to add to this conversation.
Sally- maybe when we get further along we will know what to say and all that
Michelle- Mike, give us a ball park figure on signage prices.
Mike- well stop signs on the trail is about $200-$300. Signs can be very expensive. You can spend up to $20,000 on just one sign. That is why there is usually a lot of time and money put into research to make sure we have what we want on the signs and that the information is correct. We are more looking at $3000-$7000 per sign. If we go with pre-manufactured signs our money will go farther, probably looking at about the $1000-$3000 per sign range.
Eric- what if we reconvene a group that will look at signs and information to go on them?
Steve- I can write up what I would like to see on the signs.
JoAnn- can Mike write a list of criteria of what to consider when developing signs?
Steve- what about quick preference type of signs? Not a Crystal Springs type board. Color pictures of birds and ducks you might see. I would like to see a black outline/silhouette of vertebrates and invertebrates (snake, ants or spiders). Very brief, just to tell what they are and to look for them on the trails and in the park.
Michelle- these are some very good ideas and suggestions
Eric- we can refine and bring back ideas to the committee
JoAnn- I do like the general locations of the signs
Michelle- we have 9 locations?
Mike- yes, but we can have as many as we want. I do think that having them at the creek overlooks is a must.

Michelle- we were thinking 5-7 signs. More than that is a lot of money
Eric- can we get signage grants?
Michelle- I think so but I would have to check on that. I think we could make a case that they are educational pieces.
Mike- I will see if I can find some information on that. I think it's out there. Grand Ronde does it.
JoAnn- can Mike write up some information on what we need to go over in the sign committee?
Kevin- go to Mather road and look at Mt. Talbert signage.
Eric- We are getting close to 6pm.

Action: A sign committee will reconvene to go over Mike's recommended criteria and get back to the full group with ideas for sign format and type.

Ombuds Activity & Reports

Eric introduced the topic.

Discussion:

Eric- I got an email from Victor Tushner about whom to contact on dog noise. I think that any member of the committee could be contacted.
JoAnn- I would suggest they contact the city. We have a code enforcement coordinator. Tim Salyers at 503-786-7409 is the guy for the City of Milwaukie. The problem is it is very hard to prove who is barking.
Kevin- we are trying to find a park host so if you know of anyone.
Steve- does it pay?
Kevin- no, it's volunteer
Eric- Do we want a December meeting or skip it and come back in January?
General Consensus is to reconvene on January 23, 2008
Eric- I will put the information on the Friends website. It's up and running and all our work is posted there.
Michelle- ok back to signs for a moment; if the committee is doing stuff, get it back to me so we can start work on the signs

Action: Committee agreed to skip December meeting and reconvene on January 23.

Committee Member Comments

Eric introduced the topic of Committee Member Comments.

Discussion:

Eric- any committee member comments?

Rick- Merry Christmas
JoAnn- is there an update on recognition for Jim Schuld?
Eric- right now it's on hold. I need to get an update.

Citizen Comments

Eric introduced the topic of Citizen Comments.

Discussion:

NONE

JoAnn made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sally seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Next meeting will be held on January 23, from 4 to 6 pm at the Milwaukie Center.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

for

North Clackamas Park

January 23, 2008

Milwaukie Center

MEETING SUMMARY

PRESENT

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Alternates: Steve Berliner, Dave Somann, Susan Shawn

Guests: Dick Shook, Anne and Pat O'Donnell, Rosemary Crites

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ABSENT

Representatives: Fr. Matthew Tate, John Denny, JoAnn Herrigel

Alternates: Holly Denman, Jim Schuld, Beth Ragel, Rick Frank

Introductions and Minutes

Eric Shawn opened the meeting with a welcome and introductions. He then asked the committee to review the January meeting minutes. Eleanor Johnson had some concerns regarding pg. 3 line 1. She didn't think the Milwaukie Center had said anything about not wanting speed bumps. They thought they needed to replace the ones on the outside road. Michelle Healy said when she went to the CCAB meeting to speak about traffic calming the Milwaukie Center didn't think speed bumps would be a fix. They wanted the driveway moved over and talked about other traffic calming fixes. After some explaining the minutes were approved with some minor changes to make this topic clearer. Susan Shawn made a motion to approve the minutes. Tony Clark seconded the motion.

Action: The January minutes were approved with some minor changes.

2007 in Review

Eric Shawn introduced the topic of 2007 in Review.

Discussion:

Eric- the first item on the agenda is to just take a look at what we did in 2007 and I wanted to compare it to the priorities matrix. I think it was in July of 2006 where we met and put together a matrix of priorities that we were using to focus our

attention and I just thought it would be productive for us to have a conversation and talk about to which extent we accomplished them and are the priorities that we need to shift or move. The most pressing issue that we identified involved problem solving, things like providing an Ombuds service and establishing contacts with specific issues. Another high priority items was planning contacts for future park use. Dog policies resolving the dog park area to new locations, new hours, and leash or off leash. Environment and sustainability to protect the creek boundaries with buffers. Problem solving and future park planning were listed as the most pressing in terms of what to address. Dog policies was third and then the horse arena and environment/sustainability were tied for forth. So I guess question is how well do you feel we did this year in terms of the top priority which is problem solving?
Steve- I give us a b+
Dan- Was problem solving and Ombuds the same one or Ombuds separate?
Eric- problems solving was the largest item and that had the most points. I put this together with a points system. That ranged from providing an Ombuds service to a contact list to contact DAB and provide a safe place for citizens to bring questions or complaints about the park. Those were lined up in the problem solving. There were other items there in terms of complaints and conflict and stuff like that.
Dan-There were the two activities. One was the drainage ditch design going to the south that people came in to the group and then we re-designed, put in the stuff, put diffuser on the end so that the water didn't come at a single point source that it was disbursed. The other one that we had was putting the locks on the gates; we modified that to where they (neighbors) put the locks on the gates. That was two issues where neighbors came in.
Susan-the big one of course is the noise issue. That is where we had the problems with people calling police. Even though it may not be resolved I still feel really good about how we all went about doing this. I think a lot of people came and spoke and we are still looking at different solutions. I don't know how you fell about that Rosemary.
Rosemary- well I think in my opinion it has been dropped. The last time I came which was a couple months ago we were talking about bringing in a consultant and I never heard anything about that.
Susan-we didn't meet
Dan-that was the last meeting.
Eric-we didn't have a meeting in December
Dan-the consultants been in. Eric gave us the name of a consultant, we met, we walked the park, and I gave him the cross sections of the dugouts and aerial maps and all that. Right now we are just waiting for his report.
Susan-so it's not dropped
Rosemary-I guess my point on this is that in any development those issues have to be resolved before anyone develops. I mean I think it's amazing.
Dan-I don't think that is a requirement in this development.
Rosemary- well I think it should be. I don't want to be antagonistic here but the park seems to be something that doesn't have to go along with any of the rules or regulations of every other classification and that is beyond me to understand especially when it is affecting peoples living environments.
Steve- I think it came up to more people are on scene to know how much noise was going to come out of it.

Eric-I think in terms of looking at the past here and the future would we be in agreement to say that were continuing to grapple with the noise question, it is still on the table, we are waiting for a report. That issue is still very much there and that as other issues have come up we have in fact worked to address them. Is there any issue that came up that we didn't try to address? Have we left any gaps in our response?
Dick-I would suggest that the dogs are still some what of an issue that is on-going. There still barking! I think there was a big article in the national parks and recreation magazine about dogs and problems that arise from having a dog park and one of the things it says is something we really haven't done yet establish a set of rules that are posted so that the people can see them when they bring their dogs into the park and know that the dogs need to behave or they are out.
Eric-well in terms of our priorities matrix the dog park and dog policies was number three on the list. We can say that that is one that we still need to grapple with.
Dick-I agree
Eric-what I am doing is making a few notes here in terms of the matrix. Is there any other problem solving areas that you feel that we have successfully addressed and are they other ones besides the noise and dogs that are on the horizon?
Susan- scheduling. Because once the horse arena gets fixed then people know about it. Then we have to make sure that everybody can use the park that wants to. So that is going to end up being a scheduling problem I think.
Eric- Ok. And the horse arena right now is kind of on hold waiting for better weather.
Steve-I think we are just going to have to wait and see how much use it's getting and then we go from there. It seems like the easiest way to do it. In response to your question maybe we should think about having some general use or picnic or reserved marked sight because of the over tendency for event overflow to fill that as the last block. Maybe we should think about have 6 or 8 parking spaces that that say reserved. Something that is off limits. It's just not fair when there isn't room for park goers because there is a scheduled event at the other side of the park. Not necessarily that they are competing with other picnicker you know people that have reserved a picnic shelter but to the extent that they are competing with the south side. Maybe that should be a topic for us. That could be a future response to complaints after they occur.
Eric-I have a made a note about that. Now if we look at how our matrix is laid out right now our top priority is problem solving, the next one is context for future planning and then the third item is the dog park and dog policies and then the forth is tied with the horse arena and environment and sustainability. Looking to the coming year do we see those shifting? For instance, since we have done work on the planning should that shift planning or do the priorities still line up where they are? In other words do they move up or down for the coming year?
Tony-I would think the environmental topic would move up especially as we move forward with the north side plan. You hear a lot about the salmon habitat etc, etc. It's going to be much more important issue and the horse arena is going to be a finished project.
Susan- In terms of signs we still need to deal with that.
Eric-oh yeah ok let me add that. Would it help if we actually wrote these out on a sheet so everyone can see them?
Michelle- I will write them on the board if you can list them again

Eric- 1. Problem solving 2. Planning 3. Dog policies 4. Horse arena and Environment and sustainability.
Susan-this is what we came up with when we all that the little stickers and we put them up all over the place?
Eric-yes
Susan-ok, now I remember
Eric- we developed a list of stuff
Eleanor- if I recalled a couple of months ago a decision was made that there be a committee set up for the dog people. I don't know what happened with that.
Eric- we will have to look back in the minutes
Susan-no she is right I remember talking about that. Kind of a standing dog committee of some sort
Eleanor-yes and I don't remember the resolution to that.
Tony-I think the resolution was that it should be a private organization, not something that parks district does. I think what is important is getting back to having a real focus on the dog policies from both aspects as far as user issues to rules.
Rosemary- are the dog people talking about issues? Are you talking to people about issues to bring to the stewardship committee or are you the only one?
Tony-there are issues but there haven't been a focus for it. For instance, small dogs and big dogs. Some of that is going to be solved in the future but we do not have a set of rules in place. We really do need more rules.
Rosemary-you have to have more rules. Doesn't Portland have rules?
Tony-there are some rules but they don't address everything
Kevin-well the rules are only as good as the enforcement behind them and the enforcement comes from the city of Milwaukie.
Tony-and if you have the rules and have them posted it helps.
Dave-is it possible to get rules from some of these other agencies?
Michelle-yes there are lots of resources that we could bring to the new committee.
Steve-it would be kind of nice to have the standing rules of the county.
Dan-the county rules apply here. Its kind of like Kevin said, we don't have someone out here enforcing if dogs are on leashes but we do have the rules posted.
Michelle-maybe we need to post them in the actual dog park
Eric-are there any items that are related to resent planning for the future which was the second priority that remain on the table?
Eleanor-can I add something to that list? What about the lights? They are still a big problem for a lot of people. If we could do something to diffuse the brightness of the lights. In addition some kind of hood for the lights and some kind of hedge or trees, some kind of foliage around the park to help diffuse the light.
Dan- That's what on them right now. They are directional hoods.
Michelle-maybe that is something we need to look at? If we knew that there was a specific issue regarding your property I'm sure there are things that can be done.
Rosemary-they look like flying saucers out there.
Dick-they can tweak the aim of the lights
Sally-from our house you look out our living room window into the park and we have a direct view. It looks like an airport runway at night. It's really pretty bad. Maybe some kind of fast growing trees or a hedge or something that would grow tall enough or fast enough to help us out. Maybe like poplar?

Kevin-poplar grow fast
Dan-I think we can look into what kind of planting might work.
Eric-well what if we put that on the problem solving list? I guess what I am looking for is do we need to keep future planning on the list as a priority or have we addressed all those issues?
Sally-well I don't know if this is appropriate for us to address now the type of planting you are going to have along the borders of the creek that could help with the noise issue.
Eric-so the foliage that would be related to the north side plans that Alta has worked on? That's what you're referring to?
Sally-yes and of course all of the other planning but I think most of us are interested in the type of plantings that may help with the noise.
Eleanor-who is this person that is being hired regarding the environment and what have you, could this person be involved in making decisions regarding what should be planted there? I don't know what their job will be.
Dan-there will be someone that can help with it
Michelle-we haven't hired them yet. We are down to three people
Eleanor-so maybe we could wait and see what that person thinks of this
Eric-so for this planning piece I will put trees
Dan-I don't think it is inappropriate for this group to have input on that decision.
Dick-the consultant report has quite the list of plants and suggestive plants. I don't think they have nailed down exactly what you are going to do. But they have a whole list of native plants that would work.
Eric-ok so what I have here. I'm just adjusting some of these.
Dick-I would like the environmental and sustainability part maybe elevated a little bit.
Susan-yeah that is what Tony was saying also
Eric-what kinds of topic would you use to elevate the focus on that topic?
Dick-one of the first things is we get our natural resource coordinator going in and taking out the invasive, and organizing some parties. Of course by the time they are up and running the planting season is going to be over.
Rosemary-I think if we analyze this planting season is going to be over and nothing will be done until next spring. So how long does it take to figure this out?
Dan-bare root plants you can plant in fall and winter
Sally-February and March are a good time but you know it's going to take 5 years before they are really going to provide any help.
Rosemary-oh well I'm going to be gone by then
Steve-bare root I think is just for small ceilings, I don't think you would be interested in. You will want to start with something that has been potted and already has some height. That would probably be this spring.
Dave-you would want to put them in, in early spring or late fall.
Susan-Dan I have a question about the north side and it has to do with money. I was wondering if we could get a report from you, not today, but maybe this month on what we can realistically expect in terms of what we will see from the plans. The plans are big and there's no money as I understand it.
Dan-there is some and we have to figure out where to priorities that money. We have to discuss that
Michelle- in our draft plan they have made some suggestions on phasing and that's what I would tell everyone that that is what we are trying to figure out what can happen and when during the process. In the draft plan they made some suggestions and they made them based on the availability of funds and what we

can get for out dollar. For example the bridge for the new parking lot will be extremely expensive and so that is like $800.00 because of the weight capacity for cars and everyone to use. They are trying to go high rather than underestimate what the cost might be so it could very well not cost that much but we have to have discussions with the group.
Dan- because their recommendation is the trail, the interpretive signage, moving and fixing the dog park. That is what they recommend for phase 1.
Susan-that would be great
Dan-and we probably are close to being able to fund that
Michelle-I think they said about half a million dollars
Susan-well I know the county gets a million dollars a year from the lottery funds for the economic community development and so that comes in every year
Michelle-Possibly
Dan- we have a couple hundred thousand in the metro green space fund
Michelle- I think we can accomplish most of it. We might have to apply for some grants and things but we should be able to.
Dan-they based the phase 1 on what they knew we had and what we could afford to do at this point
Michelle- and these are just their suggestions, we need to look each year at our budget and have some discussion with the board.
Eric- Susan needs to leave
Dan-I have to go also in fact tonight Molalla is considering joining North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District so I am going to be at their study session here in about 45 minutes

Action:

Planning for 2008

Eric introduced the topic of the Planning for 2008.

Discussion:

Steve-would the Natural Resource Coordinator hired before our next stewardship? I would just like to have them at the February or March meeting so they could hear the different issues.
Michelle-I think they will be here by then
Dan-we are going to select Tuesday and typically someone is going to want two weeks. So they should probably be here by the next meeting I would think
Michelle-there are 3 people left. We have narrowed it down to 3 from 5
Kevin-but if we bring them here you have to promise not to overwhelm them
Michelle-that's right
Dan-Dick what do you think about the three? Do you think there is anyone I should just pass on?
Dick-I would work with any of the 5 in an office setting
Eric- well here is what I have got on the notes so far, problem solving which includes things like noise, scheduling, and lighting. Problem solving was our priority last year followed by planning which includes trees, planting, signs and the phasing of projects and then the third priority was items related to the dog

park and dog policies which would include committee, rules, noise and anything related to that. Environment and Sustainability included items like soil compaction and invasive species. On the scheduling I have the horse arena and ball field scheduling which is really one piece. They are interrelated. Once the horse arena is done would it be fair to say that scheduling is problem solving practice?
Dave-Yes
Eric- well if we look at the list would it be fair to say the priorities line up pretty much the same way they did last year with problem solving, planning, dog policies, horse arena and environment and sustainability? Does that still line up?
Tony- I think environment needs to go up higher
Eric- ok would you agree that problem solving remains the priority or would it be something else?
Everyone said yes
Eric- so keep problem solving as number one, and these aren't exclusive it is just a matter of keeping things in order and then right now planning is number two with dog policies number three. Tony you are suggesting that environment and sustainability needs to move up.
Tony- it seems like a lot of those are all involved in the planning section
Steve-I agree. I see a lot of these issues as concurrent and I don't see it to be much of a problem area. It's a pretty easy item for consensus, I mean everyone wants to identify what the environmental zones are and then treat them with some expertise.
Eric-would you merge planning and environment/sustainability as one?
Steve-Yeah I think you could do that
Everyone said yes
Eric-Ok then we will combine planning and environment/sustainability. Problem solving is number one, Planning/Environment/Sustainability number two, Dog policies/issues number three. Ok so this leaves us with three things to focus on for the coming year. I will adjust this matrix and put it in a single page format and send it to Staci so she can print it out.

Action:

Chair Position

Eric introduced the topic.

Discussion:

Eric-I put on the agenda the question of the position of the chair of the committee. The reason I put that there is because as we started and as we developed our protocols and our processes, one of the pieces that we didn't address is the question how long should the chairs serve? What kind of a term would be appropriate?
Eleanor-I think in most cases it is appropriate for a chair to be in position for two year. The first year to get their feet wet and the second year to maybe do something constructive.
Eric-Ok so Eleanor recognizes two years?

Eleanor-Yes
Tony-so for two years, where does that put us right now?
Eleanor- one year to go. What was the date that we started?
Eric-Well it was July 20th 2006.
Tony- So that really only leaves 6 months and I don't think that is long enough
Rosemary-I know I'm not on the committee but I think that if the current chair would like to go on for another two years then they should be able to.
Sally-I think that's what we need to discuss whether to chair has to change or doesn't have to change. But not more than two terms.
Eric-So we would limit it to two terms served.
Steve-I think we should hold an election process after each term.
Lisa-why would you want to change it if someone was in that position for four years and still wanted to keep doing it and run again?
Eleanor-wouldn't you think they would be sick of it by then?
Lisa-some people aren't. It would be nice to have that option instead of having it iron clad, I would leave it open.
Steve-I have a little bit of a problem with that because I am a term limit kind of guy. I'm sure we are all going to have warm fuzzy thoughts for Eric but how is a person who would like to move into that position feel.
Eleanor-they wouldn't want to say anything
Steve-they would never have an opportunity except to work it out with the retiring chair.
Eric-that raises two questions. One is if part of our goal is to develop the capacity for collaboration it takes practice and so by having different people in different roles there are more opportunities to practice that and to grow that capacity so that's on thought.
Steve- I am trying to remember wasn't case JoAnn and maybe even one or more others were also interested in chair the first time around?
Eric-yeah there were several
Steve-so that is an example of what I thought
Eric-I think another thing to look at is it seems to me that when an organization has somebody in a leadership position for a long period of time, what happens when they step out of that position and another person steps in. That person has to have a very short term because they can usually only survive for a very short time just because of the dynamic of how things work.
Steve-change is hard for some people
Eric-well and it engrains certain ways of doing things and so it makes it very difficult to shift.
Rosemary-so Eric what if the person that would like to be head worked close with you so that they will have that working process so if they stepped into that position they would be ready for the road ahead.
Eric-the vice chair is JoAnn
Dick-on one of the committees I serve on we elected a chair and vice chair and then after two year or whatever the term was the vice chair would take over and then we would elect a new vice chair. That way they all kind of worked together.
Rosemary-yeah that's what I was trying to get at.
Lisa- so it would just be a natural transition from vice chair to chair
Dick-so the vice chair knows that after the two years are up they will be moving up to the chair position.
Eric-yet a third model is to have, lets say the chair and then you've got the vice chair that would become the chair next year and the chair this year is the past

chair, and all three of them have a roll and they all work together. So we have got options and choices that are available. We just need to clarify how what we want and how we want to do that.
Eleanor- do we want a motion on this tonight or do you want to think about it?
Eric- why doesn't everyone think about it? Are there any other options that come to mind?
Steve-there are a few that aren't here this time I strongly agree to keep this item open through the next meeting. I think we have a good start and if we get the suggestions into the minutes we have one more chance for the not attending.
Eric-well I put it on the table because I think it is important to discuss. The other reason I've got in on here is because I have been the chair of a safety committee on campus for 14 years now and so I can see what happens. Part of that is nobody wants to chair a safety committee but you also don't have new ideas flowing through and a different way of doing things. You tend to lose some of the ability to affectively chair. Well let's think about it and I will put it on the agenda for next time.

Action: Discuss further options for the length of term the chair serves.

Ombuds Activity & Reports

Eric introduced the topic of Ombuds Activity & Reports.

Discussion:

Michelle- the DAB said that they generally accepted this plan as a concept and they want to get some feedback from the city of Milwaukie. The city of Milwaukie won't formally take action on this right now because we will have to go to them when we do land use and so it can turn into a weird thing if they say "oh we approve it" and then we come in. What I am going to talk to JoAnn about is getting the recommendation from their parks group as well as the city council. I just wanted to let everyone know what was happening.

Dick-I think the idea was that the layout of the paths and the exercise can tend to shift and those ideas were approved as a concept with us knowing that some minor things could change.

Committee Member Comments

Eric introduced the topic of Committee Member Comments.

Discussion:

Dick-We didn't have a meeting in December right? Sally and I took the name Camas Creek before the Oregon Geographic Names Board on December 6th. We gave then a little presentation and they approved unanimously and forward the suggested name on to the Federal Geographic Names Board in Washington D.C. That process will take approximately one year for official recognition of the name Camas Creek for our little streamlet that divides the park.

Steve-you mean that's not top priority in Washington D.C?
Eric- I think they wish it was!

Citizen Comments

Eric introduced the topic of Citizen Comments.

Discussion:

Steve- I just want to put a kudos and thank you in the minutes officially to the parks department and the district advisory board which Dick is a member of. Thank you for creating the Natural Resource Coordinator job, this is a new position and a big move for the department and something that many of us out in the community consider a very very important aspect of parks and natural areas management. It's a wonderful step in the right direction and thank you.

Meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Next meeting will be held on February 27, from 4 to 6 pm at the Milwaukie Center.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

for

North Clackamas Park

April 23, 2008

Milwaukie Center

MEETING SUMMARY

PRESENT

Representatives: Eric Shawn (chair), Lisa Gibson, Sally Shook, JoAnn Herrigel, Eleanor Johnson

Alternates: Susan Shawn, Steve Berliner

Guests: Dick Shook, Ann & Pat O'Donnell

Staff Michelle Healy, Staci Hammond, Kevin Cayson, Tonia Burns

ABSENT

Representatives: Fr. Matthew Tate, Tony Clark, John Denny

Alternates: Holly Denman, Jim Schuld, Beth Ragel, Rick Frank, Dave Somann

Introductions and Minutes

Eric Shawn opened the meeting with a welcome and introductions. He then asked that the committee review the March minutes. The minutes were approved as read.

Action: Minutes approved

Earth Day Planning Continues

Eric Shawn introduced the topic of Earth Day Planning

Discussion:

Susan had some concerns about the small earth day flyer that was made by the District. Tonia assured Susan that it was just something that was made up last minute to take to another event. All of the right information was in the press release that went out. The bird houses were supposed to be bee boxes. The flyer was not widely distributed, it was only meant to try to draw in some more people from another event.

Tonia will remind Dan about the tube counter on the 26th to count the cars coming in and out of the park during the event because there will also be a tournament going on.

The event will take place in the Dogwood room of the Milwaukie Center. Everyone will meet there. Set up tables for Logan to speak and the kids to make a

pinecone birdfeeder and build a bee box. We will also need people to help set up chairs for people to sit in. Everyone wanting to help set up should be there at 9:00am. There was some talk about mounting a pollinator box in the park as an example. There is also going to be a young man volunteering for school who will be here to help with whatever. After Logan talks we will break into groups and head outside to tackle some of the issues out there. There is a big population of garlic mustard that needs to be handled.

Dan Holt's group was focusing on blackberries that day. When we take the blackberries out it is better to leave them in one big pile so they will decompose. Also it is better to cut the pieces in 2 foot sections that way they can break down better and work there way into the ground to decompose.

Action: Everyone come prepared for the weather. Rain or shine the event is on!

Nominations for Chair & Vice-Chair

Eric introduced the topic of Nominations for Chair & Vice-Chair.

Discussion:

We had talked a couple of meetings ago about establishing a term of two years for the chair and vice chair positions with a maximum of two terms for those positions. We will have nominations this meeting and next meeting and then will hold elections in June. Is there anyone interested in running for chair for vice chair? There are a lot of stakeholders not present at this meeting and who are involved. We will probably do better next month with a better turn out. Eleanor moved that we keep things the same and Susan seconded. Between now and next meeting send an email if you would like to run for chair or vice chair. There is also the possibility of the chair and vice chair switching positions.

Action: Continue to the next meeting. Anyone wanting to run send an email and we will get your name on the list

Ombuds Activity & Reports

Eric introduced the topic of Ombuds Activity & Reports.

Discussion:

Horse Arena Update: The weather is still to lousy to do anything.

Acoustic Engineer Update: Michelle thinks that the acoustic engineer sent Dan an email and also sent one to Eric. Eric will check his email. She said that Dan has gotten something back. She said there might be something like putting fiber glass panels on the dugouts which would reduce the sound by 4 decibels. She will look at it again and talk to Dan. Eric suggested maybe instead of fiber glass maybe using some of the egg crate foam that is used a lot in music rooms.

Lighting Adjustments: No adjustments have taken place yet. Joe Loomis is going to go to the Shook's house tonight to check out the problem and figure out what can be done. The lights in the ball park cast a shadow on the Dick and Sally's wall so they need to be adjusted.

North Side Update: Tonia handed out phase 1 options with dollar amounts. Design Costs and Mobilization is somewhat of an estimated amount. It all depends on

what order we chose to do these things. These costs do not include contingency which can be as much as 20% above the estimated costs. Camas Creek Pedestrian and Maintenance Crossing, Creek Buffer Enhancement, Informational Signage, Fencing, off lease Dog Area, Trails and Benches, and Wetland Enhancement are all part of the suggestions for phase one. We need to think about what we think is the most important and also how much money we have to get things started.

Eleanor asked if we are stuck with Alta Planning or if we can get some competitive pricing. Michelle said that we could go back out to bid but that will cost more money. There are a lot of extra costs involved in going out to bid. Michelle thinks that the $85,000 for design costs is a little high by probably $10,000 but we would rather be high in our estimate than low. We have close to $400,000 for phase one. Some of these costs also include volunteer workers doing some of the work that we can do. Tonia asked which options were more important to the committee. She also said that there are some grant programs out there that we might be able to get additional funding to help with the process.

After a lot of individual discussions the committee decided on the following:

1st Priorities: Design Costs, Mobilization, Informational Signage and off leash dog area

2nd Priorities: Trails and Benches, Camas Creek Pedestrian and Maintenance Crossing.

The committee is wondering if the District should think about trying to find someone cheaper. The pros to keeping them are that they know the project up and down; they have heard all the public comments and suggestions and definitely have the upper hand. JoAnn wanted to make sure that the committee was comfortable in staying with Alta Planning.

Eric had a comment about hiring contractors. Whoever it was that was hired to do the playground didn't take into account the natural areas. The contractors really need to protect the natural areas when they are in doing their work. That is something that would be on Tonia's plate and now that she is here we can create a conservation plan.

Action:

Committee Member Comments

Eric introduced the topic of Committee Member Comments.

Discussion:

NONE

Citizen Comments

Eric introduced the topic of Citizen Comments.

Discussion:

NONE

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Next meeting will be held on May 28, from 4 to 6 pm at the Milwaukie Center.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

for

North Clackamas Park

May 28, 2008

Milwaukie Center

MEETING SUMMARY

PRESENT

Representatives: Eric Shawn (chair), Sally Shook, Eleanor Johnson, Tony Clark, John Denny

Alternates: Susan Shawn, Beth Ragel

Guests: Dick Shook, Ann & Pat O'Donnell, Rosemary Crites

Staff Staci Hammond, Tonia Burns

ABSENT

Representatives: Fr. Matthew Tate, Lisa Gibson

Alternates: Holly Denman, Jim Schuld, Rick Frank, Dave Somann, Steve Berliner

Introductions and Minutes

Eric Shawn opened the meeting with a welcome and introductions. He then asked that the committee review the April minutes. The minutes were approved as read.

Action: Minutes approved

Earth Day Report

Eric Shawn introduced the topic of Earth Day Planning

Discussion:

Tonia said it was a small but nice event. The bee boxes and pinecones were at hit with people and the kids. We concentrated on the garlic mustard which is a big priority in the Portland area and Seattle. It is very invasive and demands rapid response. Last week they started working on it again, trying to deplete the seed bank which only last about 5 years. Eleanor and Sally were concerned that the grass along the path is getting really long and overtaking some of the shrubs that were planted. Tonia said that she wasn't here when that was taking place but now that she is it is on her plan of issues to tackle. She said it would be best to mulch around individual plantings and then cut back the grass. Right now we are noticing it more because the plantings are small but

once they start to grow and get bigger you wont really notice it that much. Tonia doesn't believe that the grass is going to hurt the shrubs. Tonia is doing work parties at North Clackamas Park on the 3rd Tuesday of every month. On June 29th they are having another work party at Kronberg and then doing one a Mill park in august. All are welcome to attend. Ann and Pat O'Donnell brought up the new plantings that were transplanted to the edge of there property to try to block out some of the noise. They were wondering if they could have some arborvitae planted that would really block the noise. Tonia said that because arborvitaes are not native she couldn't do them but she would look into some other plantings that would grow faster and provide more of a barrier. Eric brought up that he still has some extra pollinator boxes if anyone wants any. There were a couple takers.

Action: Tonia will look into native plantings that will provide better cover than arborvitaes.

Nominations for Chair & Vice-Chair

Eric introduced the topic of Nominations for Chair & Vice-Chair.

Discussion:

Eric said that the committee had discussed keeping the nominations open until this meeting because of absent members. He asked if there were any additional nominations at this time. Right now the nominations stand at nominating the existing chair and vice chair. Sally moved to close nominations and Tony seconded.

Action: Nominations closed. Elections will take place at June meeting.

Ombuds Activity & Reports

Eric introduced the topic of Ombuds Activity & Reports.

Discussion:

Horse Arena Update: The ground is still too wet. We are waiting for some dry weather.

Acoustic Engineer Update: Staci and Tonia handed out the report that was given to Dan from the engineer. Dan was absent. Rosemary said she would like to have the engineer come back while the games and noise is going on. She said the ball park is in its second year and nobody is doing anything to help the neighbors. Rosemary was upset that arborvitaes will not be used. Tonia said that she was not part of the south side planning but if it is okay with everyone she will take this issue forward. If people are open to getting the issue solved that is great. It won't be arborvitaes because they are not native to the area but she will figure out something else that will work. She said that we are very close to a riparian zone and there are things she needs to obey. Eric said that the main goal of the acoustic engineer study was to find out ways to buffer the sound coming off the fields and that maybe he didn't need the noise. They weren't there to take noise measurements. They were going in as engineers to give options as engineers for things that could be done. The engineer is a specialist in community sound and has enough experience to say from past events that this could be done. Very seldom will they actually take noise readings. They can look at the site from an engineer's point of view and give recommendations on what could be done. Eric suggested that Staci email

the committee a copy of the report and have everyone read it over before the June meeting and come back with some suggestions.

North Side Update: Tonia said the district went to the City of Milwaukie and spoke with them about the process for planning and permitting and getting in the applications. We are in the beginning steps. Eleanor had a question about the road to Milwaukie Center. Tonia said that it is going to planning but that we have to work with emergency vehicles to make sure they can get in and out. The final decision will be based on emergency allowance. Tony wanted to know if the phases were firm now or if they still had some room for movement. Tonia said they are not firm but are good the way they are. We are applying for grants so we don't have to use $400,000 for other things. We are also going to try to get sponsors for benches. That would help. Any sponsorship is welcome.

Lighting Adjustments: Dick finally was able to touch base with Joe Loomis and the lighting guy. He agreed that there was a glare. The lights can be tweaked so right now they are just waiting to get a bucket to come out and adjust the lights.

Dog Park Committee: Tony said the meeting is not scheduled but he was going to schedule it tonight. He has a long list of guidelines and rules to post in the dog park. He will email that list to the committee. The district is also looking for other properties that would accommodate a dog park

Camas Creek Damage Report: Tonia said there was a 4x4 vehicle that drove off road and went through Camas creek. It got reported to the police. The police have a license plate number of the vehicle. The officer only works on the weekends. Tonia went in with a shovel and rake to hopefully re-vegitate.

Action: Dog committee meeting to be scheduled. Committee to read acoustic engineer report.

Committee Member Comments

Eric introduced the topic of Committee Member Comments.

Discussion:

Tony mentioned that there wasn't an alternate for the dog person. He will put up a flyer in the dog park to see if anyone is interested.

Action: Put a sign up in Dog Park to see if anyone is interested in the alternate position on the committee.

Citizen Comments

Eric introduced the topic of Citizen Comments.

Discussion:

NONE

Meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Next meeting will be held on June 25, from 4 to 6 pm at the Milwaukie Center.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

for

North Clackamas Park

July 23, 2008

Milwaukie Center

MEETING SUMMARY

PRESENT

Representatives: Eric Shawn (chair), JoAnn Herrigel, Eleanor Johnson, Lisa Gibson, John Denny, Tony Clark, Sally Shook

Alternates: Susan Shawn, Steve Berliner

Guests: Ann O'Donnell, Rosemary Crites, Jim Ballou

Staff Staci Hammond, Tonia Burns, Michelle Healy, Kevin Cayson

ABSENT

Representatives: Fr. Matthew Tate

Alternates: Holly Denman, Jim Schuld, Rick Frank, Dave Somann, Beth Ragel

Introductions and Minutes

Eric Shawn opened the meeting with a welcome and introductions. He then asked that the committee review the June minutes. The minutes were approved as read.

Action: Minutes approved

Sound Level Discussion

Eric Shawn introduced the topic of Sound Level Discussion.

Discussion:

This is a continuation from the last meeting. The committee would like to identify the issues that they would like addressed. Rosemary said the sound level is too high but doesn't think that it will change. She said you can't tell people not to cheer and be quiet. Eric said that he believes the consensus of the group is that the sound level is an issue with specific issues. JoAnn said that she remembered people saying that the problem isn't coming from the dugouts but instead coming from the bleachers. Eric said that we want the sound level reduced and we can have the engineers help us find a way to do it. Engineers operate on specific criteria and results. They rely on scope. He asked if there was a level of reduction that would be acceptable' in other words can we give them a target that we would like to hit? That way if they can reach it there is a level of

satisfaction. Rosemary said that she didn't know how to communicate that she is being affected by this. It gives her a headache. The only thing she can say is that it is like your next door neighbor having a huge party with lots of screaming and yelling and laughing continuously. There has to be some sort of structure that can capture the noise. I don't know anything about sound levels so I don't know what would be acceptable. Eric started a list of things we wanted addressed. Michelle said agreed with Eric on how do we know when we have accomplished something, even if we bring this person in and implements something and it helps it, do we just keep going or how do we know if it's getting better? Rosemary said that she doesn't expect it to go away all together but she doesn't want to hear it at this high of level. She suggested that the engineers come to her property while a tournament is going on that way they can hear how loud it actually is. The committee agreed. The committee would like to reduce the sound level by 10 decibels.

The list for the engineer:

1. Take a decibel reading from Rosemary's during a tournament
2. Field Hours – outreach for coaches
3. Target = 10 decibels
4. Dugout/bleachers

Action: Topic is on next months agenda

High Water SE of Parking Lot

Eric introduced the topic of High Water SE of Parking Lot.

Discussion:

Fr. Matthew was not present. This topic will be moved to next months meeting.

Action: Moved to next months meeting.

Tree Damage & Mowing of Buffers

Eric introduced the topic of Tree Damage & Mowing of Buffers.

Discussion:

Dick said that there is a cedar log that is down in the creek. The tree was cut down and there was a duck box that was damaged. Also the mowers are going into the buffer zone. Maybe we can not mow that so people don't think that they can get back there and party. Dick also asked if we could chalk off the buffers to see where they are at. Kevin spoke with his staff and it won't happen again. It was really a one time issue. Sally would really like the buffers to be established by this fall so we can start the planting. We have got to plant in the fall because they might not grow. We aren't going to have any type of buffer for the noise if we don't start getting this stuff in the ground. Tonia would like a plan of attack to be drawn up before we go at the planting. At the same time she does realize that the fall and winter time is the best time to plant. She did go back at look at the trail that people have made that leads back to the bank and the tree that people are crossing on. It is an issue and a pretty big one at that because it is obvious that many people are using that as a trail and we don't to take the time and energy and funding and resources and do a great project and then have these people

who made this "social" trail not a "maintained" trail and just trample something that we have taken the time to do. An organized effort is the best way to go. Do we want to put up signs; do we want to put up a fence? Should we consider putting in a little trail there so people can still get back to the water? Sally said that we have been waiting and waiting to do this and she wants to know when we are going to get started. We need to plan for it now in order to do it this fall otherwise we are going to have to wait another year. Tonia said that as far as planting in the buffer zone we have started some. We harvested some alders and moved them to the buffers and will continue to do that. Sally said that the plantings need to take place October through April. Tonia is committed to making this happen. Sally just doesn't want to have to wait for another year. Tonia recently told the committee writing a proposal to get an AmeriCorps position to help and it was accepted. The work plan for that volunteer or employee will be putting a great amount of their time into the enhancement of NCP. The position starts in mid September. This person will be assisting on non native plant control and restoration of the ecosystem. They will also be helping out with other things. So what we are hoping will happen is this winter we will be starting the planting. Rosemary wanted to know if there was going to be some kind of drawing or plan drawn up on where to plant things. Sally said that we know the buffer is 50 feet away from the creek so if we know that there is no reason that we cant plant anywhere in that buffer area. We know the trails aren't going to go there so what is the problem. Kevin said the bigger issues is the people crossing the creek in those areas and if we plant new stuff there it is most likely going to get trampled because people don't really care. That is we need to get or make some kind of alternate access to the creek so they aren't trampling all the new stuff we are putting in the ground. Tonia said that AmeriCore person is going to help with that so we can map out our action plan. This person is going to be with us for a year and this will be there primary focus. JoAnn just wanted to make sure that the issue was covered. She said the mowing within the buffer was a one time mistake and it won't happen again. Kevin said that with as much mowing as we have going on out here it was a very small piece. JoAnn said regarding Sally's issues with the planting that yes we can hurry up and plant but we do need a plan of action so we aren't doing something that is pointless. What Steve would like to see happen is if we could get the friends of the creek together and go with you and the AmeriCore person on site instead of one person making up a plan and getting all invested in and then have other people come and want to make changes; and then put together a plan and if we did it that way I think we could have it planted in this coming planting season. Tonia agrees. We need to prioritize on what we can get done.

Action: Once the new person starts things will start to move in a more forward direction.

Ombuds Activity & Reports

Eric introduced the topic of Ombuds Activity & Reports.

Discussion:

Horse Arena Update: Kevin said that we have finished the base and now we are moving towards putting the fence up. Once the fence is up we will add 4-6 inches of ¾ compacted gravel and then on top of that 4-8 inches of unwashed sand. Lisa said that we really will need something to contain that material from leaving the arena; because as people work along the outer edge it is going to find its way out of the arena. Lisa wanted to suggest railroad ties but that is probably not a good product but something

along those lines that will keep the material in the arena. JoAnn suggested maybe using some kind of plastic wood. Michelle said that we would look into it. JoAnn asked what the expected time of completion was. Kevin said they are trying to get it done next week but he makes no promises. They are shooting for the middle of August.

Northside Update: Tonia got a scope and cost estimate from Alta for the trails, dog run and creek crossings. We are reviewing it and if it's good we will start to get things going. We are working with the City of Milwaukie on land use planning. We are continuing to move forward. Tony asked if there were already exact materials chosen for the dog run. Tonia said no. Michelle said that we could bring something to the committee with designs for input. Susan asked if we could put the plans on the website. Michelle said maybe but it doesn't always work.

Lighting Adjustments: Kevin said that they are going to come out around the 15th of August to do the adjustments.

Dog Park Committee: Tony handed out a sheet of rules and regulations that he has collected from numerous agencies in the area. He asked everyone to read it over and then let him know what changes or additions should take place. After that he would like to take it to the dog people and see what feedback they have. JoAnn said the rules need to be enforceable and right now the only one that is enforceable is the off leash rule. JoAnn thinks that what Tony has put together was really great. She has some concerns in general about what can be enforced by the city. The committee looked over the rules and many people had comments and suggestions. It was decided that they would email Tony directly of there comments or concerns and Tony would change review them.

Action: Committee member should email Tony if they have suggestions about the rules.

Committee Member Comments

Discussion:

JoAnn said that on Saturday starting at 10am there will be the Festival Days Parade in Milwaukie. They will have 35-40 floats and a marching band. From 6-10pm there will be riverfront music and then at 10 pm the fireworks will start. Come check it out.

Citizen Comments

Discussion: NONE

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Next meeting will be held on August 27, from 4 to 6 pm at the Milwaukie Center.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

for

North Clackamas Park

August 27, 2008

Milwaukie Center

MEETING SUMMARY

PRESENT

Representatives: Eric Shawn (chair), Lisa Gibson, Tony Clark

Alternates: Steve Berliner, Rick Frank

Guests: Rosemary Crites, Jim Ballou

Staff Staci Hammond, Tonia Burns, Kevin Cayson

ABSENT

Representatives: Fr. Matthew Tate, JoAnn Herrigel, Sally Shook

Alternates: Holly Denman, Jim Schuld, Dave Somann, Beth Ragel, Susan Shawn

Introductions and Minutes

Eric Shawn informed Tonia that he was going to be late. Steve Berliner opened the meeting with a welcome and introductions. He then asked that the committee review the July minutes. The minutes were approved as read.

Action: Minutes approved

Sound Level Discussion

Steve Berliner introduced the topic of Sound Level Discussion.

Discussion:

Rosemary would like people to come to her house during a tournament and listen to the sound level first hand. Tonia wrote up a scope based on what she heard in the last meeting. The first part of the scope work is to take decibel readings. The preferred is to take decibel readings when a full tournament is on and also during a girl's tournament. She also has that they will need to take readings both in the park at the park boundaries, one in the middle of the west end, one at the fence by the horse arena, and one near Mt. Scott creek. Then we need to take additional readings at several of the neighbor's houses. Including Rosemary's house, Shook's and O'Donnell's house. This is what she has as far as the first step in taking decibel readings. Rick does not have the fall schedule. He said the tournaments try to go out as far as Halloween but they usually get

rained out the last couple of weekends. Tonia suggested that we figure out a tournament in the next month to take readings. Rick said that he would like the readings to be taken during both a girls and boys tournament to be fair. Just to make sure that the reading is fair all the way across. Tonia said the reason that it was requested for the worst case is because this is to mitigate. The final goal of this process is to try to mitigate sound levels. So the goal is to take decibel readings, then determine the sound levels at all these spots and then investigate the structures within the ball field and make recommendations that might achieve the goal of reducing the sound level. Rick just wants the whole picture looked at rather than just what people think is the worst case scenario. Rosemary said that it isn't the ball hitting the bat and things like that. What it is is the screaming of the people. It's not the laughter of the children. There has to be some kind of material out there to dampen the sound. She doesn't expect to not here anything during a tournament but she still wants to be able to enjoy the outdoors at her home. Tonia asked the committee if they agree that the scope covers the issues they we need to address in order to get the process started. Steve agreed but he did suggest that it needs to be done by an acoustic engineer and not just ourselves. Tonia said that the scope goes to someone as a scope of work and then companies come back and say they can take the contract from the parks district and complete it. Kevin said this goes out so that these different companies are all bidding on the same scope of work. Rosemary is concerned that you get what you pay for. She said that we have a $4 million park and she doesn't expect this to be solved with a cheap deal. If the county can come up with another park for $16 million they sure can come up with a couple hundred grand to fix this problem. Tonia said she will type up the scope and forward it to everyone for additions or comments. Tony just wanted to make sure that the committee would be present at the time of the decibel readings and Tonia assured him that was what was planned. Steve said that we are missing a lot of member at this meeting so it would be good to send it to them because he is sure that everyone wants a say in this topic. Rick said that because we are doing this so late in the season that the levels are going to be a little off just because of the weather. The crowds are down this time of year just because it's colder and the whole family doesn't want to sit in the cold. Steve said that because of that maybe we get someone to come out now but that we won't be able to finish the study until next year just so we make sure that we are getting accurate readings during tournaments. Kevin said that he thinks it's a better idea to do it all at the same time just because it is going to be hard to keep a contract going until April 2009. We either need to do the sampling now and then again next spring or do it all next spring. He doesn't think we are going to be able to carry a contract that long. Tonia will get the schedule from Joe Loomis. Lisa suggested getting the RFP out now so that we have a baseline started with one of the contractors out there. Steve said that we need to get the scope to all the members within a week and tell everyone that it is a priority and that they have a limited time to get there suggestions back to Tonia. Rick made a motion that Tonia put out a draft scope of work for bid to all committee members by email tomorrow, response deadline for comments is September 5 and then Tonia will seek Eric's final comments and complete the scope and get out for bid. The committee will give Eric the authority on the committee's behalf to make the final changes with Tonia. Steve would also like the email to include that we are taking recommendations for preferred engineers and firms. The engineer that Rosemary recommends is CSA. Motion was seconded by Tony. Committee voted with 1's all around.

Action: Tonia will get the scope of work out for bid. Topic continued at next meeting.

Coyote Education

Steve introduced the topic of Coyote Education.

Discussion:

The parks district received 3 calls from neighbors who were concerned about coyotes in the park. Tonia did talk to all 3 people and what it sounds like is one coyote has been visually seen by one person. They have also been heard. Joan Young said that she has heard them and that when the fire engines go by they howl and that they have been here for 10+ years. After Tonia did some research she found out that Steve worked with Susanne Bader who used to be with NCPRD on the same issue back in 2001. One of the best sites that Tonia found was Audubon Society website. They have a lot of good reading about coyotes in the urban environment. They have a summary of animal caused human death in Oregon between 80s and 90s. Horses were the main cause, Bees wasps and spiders, cows and bulls were next, domestic dogs, sheep, mules, pet buffalo, someone was consumed by his pet lion and an infant was killed by a ferret. The only true wildlife death was a car collision with a black tailed deer and a fatal bite by a rattle snake. They have lots of tips on how to live with wildlife in an urban environment. Tonia will try to get all the links out to everyone. She asked that as members of this committee if you could please look at yourself and then pass on to your neighbors. We just want to make sure that there are not myths that are being spread about what is going one. The coyotes are part of the eco system here and if we don't have them then the ecosystem gets pushed off balance. Then you have too many bunnies around and it goes on from there. Rosemary said that she saw one on her property and as soon as it saw her it was out of there. Steve said that they are very shy. They are very socially organized animals. There is an alpha male and female and they control there breeding within there territory. No other pairs are allowed by there society to breed in there. That is how they don't get themselves over run. We don't want to remove the alpha pair because then there will be juvenile breeding with no alpha and it can in a way make it worse then it was before. Tonia notified the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife. We have also put up some temporary signs along the wildlife corridor in order to educate park users. Kevin said there will be 3 temporary signs. One at the dog entrances, one on the walking path and one in the park. The goal is to have the signs to educate and notify people.

Action: District put up temporary signs along the wildlife corridor at the park.

Ombuds Activity & Reports

Eric introduced the topic of Ombuds Activity & Reports.

Discussion:

Horse Arena Update: The horse is done! It is ready for horses and we have already had some in there. Today we put up 3 hitching posts. Two are about 4 ½ or 5 feet and then the other one is lower for ponies and things like that. We got the pitch fork to pick up stuff. Kevin talked to the counties risk manager about the rules. Kevin has the rules done and will be sending it to the county sign shop to get the sign made. Lisa would like to get a formal opening scheduled. She said people are really excited about it. They didn't think it was going to happen and it has to that's great! She would like to

name the arena, she knows a gentleman that ran the biggest 4H program in Clackamas County. Now that its there again maybe that could happen. Steve said that we need to get the suggestion to Dan and see if the district would be open to naming the arena. The suggested name is Jim Havelhurst.

Northside Update: We are still working on it. We just moved forward with Alta. Tonia submitted a scope of work & budget. Tonia told them to take it down. We went back and forth with Alta. We didn't get it down as much as we had hoped but it is okay and we are now moving forward.

Lighting Adjustments: Dick Shook is not present. Steve said on August 12 Dick met with Joe and Tim at 8pm with the cherry picker and tried to angel the light down by 2%.

Dog Park Committee: Tony was late sending out the guidelines so he recommends putting this topic off until the next meeting that way I have everyone's responses and suggestions. Tony really thinks that we should not look at anything that would become an ordinance. They should just all be guidelines because it will be far more easy. Steve asked if they could still be rules but not enforced. Kevin said he will get some clarification from County Council.

Action: Kevin will get clarification on dog rules. Tonia will take the name suggestion to Dan.

Committee Member Comments

Discussion:

The district did some testing on the creeks that surround the park for nitrate rates. We hired a company that is called Envirolodgic Resources. They tested in 4 spots, where Mt. Scott Creek comes in, over by Casa Del Ray gate, where the confluence of Camas Creek comes into Mt. Scott creek and then again where it leaves the park. What they found was that all the nitrate levels in the park well within an acceptable level. The highest nitrate level was measured at Casa Del Ray gate where the neighborhood storm water drains into the park. It was 11.1 milligrams per liter. The lowest level was at the confluence and then was 1.12 milligrams per liter. These are very good numbers.

Tonia announced that the district will be getting an AmeriCore person starting October 1st and their title will be Natural Resource Tech. She also said that Eleanor is no longer going to be on the committee. Joan knows of one person but they can only meet at 5. We need to decide to either change the meeting time or Joan needs to keep looking for someone else that can be more flexible. The committee agreed that we should let Joan keep looking for someone that can meet at the current meeting time of 4pm.

Citizen Comments

Discussion: NONE

Meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Next meeting will be held on September 24, from 4 to 6 pm at the Milwaukie Center.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

for

North Clackamas Park

September 24, 2008

Milwaukie Center

MEETING SUMMARY

PRESENT

Representatives: JoAnn Herrigel, Lisa Gibson, Tony Clark, Sally Shook

Alternates:

Guests: Rosemary Crites, Randy & Sandra Scott

Staff Staci Hammond, Tonia Burns, Kevin Cayson

ABSENT

Representatives: Fr. Matthew Tate, Eric Shawn

Alternates: Holly Denman, Jim Schuld, Dave Somann, Beth Ragel, Susan Shawn, Steve Berliner, Rick Frank

Introductions and Minutes

JoAnn opened the meeting with a welcome and introductions. She then asked that the committee review the August minutes. The minutes were approved as read.

Action: Minutes approved

Sound Level Discussion

JoAnn introduced the topic of Sound Level Discussion.

Discussion:

JoAnn explained that on Sunday 9/28 everyone that wants to can meet at Rosemary's house to take some sound readings. Joann's intent is to listen with her ears rather than the machine just for her own opinion. The parks district has a decibel reader that they will bring and Eric also has one. This will make it better for quality control to have to devices. Rosemary made a map to her home that she handed out. Staci will email to the rest of the committee that aren't present today. Tonia wanted to make sure that people are ok with who will be taking the readings. She said we will have to write up another scope because the whole purpose was to gather data before the games end. Rosemary is concerned about the quality of the equipment that we will be using. She just wants to make sure that it works and we can get accurate readings from it. Tonia said that it was purchased from Radio Shack and will work fine for what we want to do.

Rosemary said that she was okay with it. JoAnn said that we will meet on Sunday and then go from there. She said that most likely this item will stay on the agenda.

Action: Committee to meet at Rosemary's house at 3pm on Sunday 9/28

Ombuds Activity & Reports

JoAnn introduced the topic of Ombuds Activity & Reports.

Discussion:

Horse Arena Update: Lisa said that there is some inconsistency in the arena. The outside is softer than the inside. It's too hard in some spots and too soft in others. She wanted to know if we can drag it. Kevin said yes but it needs to go through the winter and then it will compact itself. We haven't really had any rain but once we do that will help too. Lisa said she knows we can't make everyone happy but it needs to be more consistent. It will take time but it definitely needs to be re-dragged. A horse has already tripped a couple of times. She said that the parking is ok but they haven't had any "big" events. Dick Shook mentioned that he had guests at his home that noticed people using the arena so it is getting some use which is good. Just to clarify the arena material is a fine sand and gravel mix.

Northside Update: Tonia said that Clackamas County finance people still have the proposal and are putting together a contract. Once that is complete Alta will sign it and then the district will. Alta will do design and oversee phase 1. Sally is concerned with time. She wants to know how long we have to wait. Tonia sent an email to find out where we are and should know by the end of the week. Tonia said that we had to go back and forth about the money. Alta came in too high so we had to go back 3 or 4 times to get a good number. We finally came to an agreement and now finance is drafting a contract. Once it's done it will get sent to Alta then to us and then we will be good to go.

Lighting Adjustments: JoAnn said from what she understands this has been taken care of and should be taken off the agenda.

Dog Park Committee: Steve sent in comments along with JoAnn and Sally. Tony will revise the guidelines and give them out to a select group in order to get some feedback from them. JoAnn said that right now Clackamas County only has 2 enforceable rules but Portland has a whole set. She wanted to know if we want to adopt some of those or just leave them as guidelines knowing they aren't enforceable. Tony said we just want to leave them as guidelines. Tony doesn't want to put the new guidelines up until the "new" dog park is done. This is a good way to roll out new guidelines for the "new" dog park.

Action: Tonia will get an answer from finance about where we stand with the contracts. Tony will revise the list of guidelines and distribute to a select group.

Committee Member Comments

Discussion:

Sally asked if the Milwaukie Center would agree to have a live Christmas tree planted by Camas Creek that could be decorated every year. Kevin said that he would have to check with county counsel to see if it's even possible.

JoAnn said that on October 17 the Johnson Creek Watershed Counsel will be having its annual auction, including things like signed basketballs and box seats.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

for

North Clackamas Park

January 28, 2009

Milwaukie Center

MEETING SUMMARY

PRESENT

Representatives: Eric Shawn, Tony Clark, Steve Berliner, John Denny, Sally Shook, Lisa Gibson

Alternates: Rick Frank, Susan Shawn, Grady Wheeler

Guests: Rosemary Crites, Ann O'Donnell

Staff Staci Hammond, Tonia Burns, Rose Jessee

ABSENT

Representatives: Fr. Matthew Tate, JoAnn Herrigel

Alternates: Holly Denman, Jim Schuld, Dave Somann, Beth Ragel

Introductions and Minutes

Eric opened the meeting with a welcome and introductions. He then asked that the committee review the November minutes. The minutes were approved as read.

Action: Minutes approved

Agenda Setting Discussion for 2009

Eric introduced the topic of Agenda Setting.

Discussion:

It was discussed whether Jim Schuld should be completely removed from the meeting roster as he has become a complete invalid. Contact will be made with him to confirm.

Stewardship process was discussed and reviewed.
Goal: *act in an ombuds function to create positive solutions for the park and surrounding community and to be a resource for the park district assisting with other issues as they occur.*
Mission: *to act as stewards to the park*
Process: have representatives and alternates discuss, going around the table once, and then inviting everyone to participate in the conversation so that we get all the ideas and

opinions presented. As we measure consensus, we use the 5-finger process: 1st finger is fully in support; 2 fingers is I tend to support; 3 is I can live with it but I have some reservations and would like to discuss them; 4 fingers is I have significant discomfort and need more discussion; 5 fingers is I oppose the proposal and need more discussion.

Stewardship Committee Topics Review

Topics remaining open agenda items:

- Picnic table/area availability-clarify reservation policy. May need clearer signs in picnic areas so the public can clarify whether it is available/reserved
- Fr. Tate will be contacted about the high water SE of ball field parking lot to see if it is resolved
- Bioswale is being monitored and operating as it should. Subject will be revisited in April so committee can go outside and view area.
- Interpretive and wetland signage is still in the planning phase
- Students throwing rocks at wildlife. A letter has been drafted by Joan Young and will be put on the February agenda.
- Christian Center property-discussion about whether to sell some of their property
- Dog park committee-ongoing conversation
- Arena use scheduling-open topic
- Dedication & naming of horse arena-waiting for Kevin Cayson to get back to the committee
- Baseball practice in NW corner-old posted maps in park need to be replaced so people don't warm-up in horse arena and disrupt trail-Tonia will bring updated map in to next meeting
- Ball field hours and park hours need to be verified
- Replacement of dead plant material-this spring, the replacement plants that were put in last year will be replaced per the contract
- Lighting adjustments have been made but the ball fields have been closed over the winter so it hasn't been concluded whether it is adequately adjusted
- Backs of scoreboards have not been painted yet

Action: Agenda items updated and will only be put on agenda if someone wants to talk about or has an update for the committee.

Ombuds Activity & Reports

Eric introduced the topic of Ombuds Activity & Reports.

Discussion:

Ben & Jerry Grant: The brochure was handed out containing information about the Stewardship Committee. The brochure is being handed out face to face, at churches and care facilities, etc.

North Side Update: Tonia gave the update on NCP North Side Conceptual Plan progress. Phase 1 is to include interpretive signage, a trail, an off leash dog park and removal of the crushed rock culvert & replace with a bridge upstream. She reviewed the plan legend, flood plain, buffer zones and rehabbed areas. The plans are not entirely accurate as to measurements and placements of park features and amenities. ALTA is currently refining and correcting the design. Also, in order to reduce noise problems in the surrounding neighborhood, the suggestion was made to move the trail to the east and make a non-direct path to the neighborhood to the north. Also, it was suggested that the whole end trail at the tip be moved to the east for flood protection adding a flood channel/resting channel in the area. NW corner has potential to be protected wildlife area. We may want to grade the trail at an elevation that would stay dry. Moving and shortening the trail to the multi-use area doesn't seem to be a good idea. Tony pointed out that the covered area in the planned dog park needs to be moved away from the gates to avoid bottlenecking at the entrance to the dog park. Funding is: $200k from Metro, $150k from SDC, $10k from interpretive sign. Tonia has submitted for other grants for re-vegetation and interpretive signage. She stated that the City of Milwaukie needs to be presented with a finalized Master Plan to submit with the land use application. That Master Plan will be adopted into their Comprehensive Plan. The land use application is just for Phase 1. Culvert work needs to be done around August. The rest of the work will be completed in summer-fall. The replanting will be next winter. It was pointed out that the FEMA flood plain maps have been proven inaccurate. Friends of Milwaukie did their own flood plain survey with more accuracy.

Coyotes: Neighbor of Alder Creek had their dog attacked. The dog survived the attack. People need to be aware when they are outside. Tonia is to send web site info out about the coyote problem and to educate the public. If it becomes more of a problem, Oregon Fish & Wildlife will get involved, but not at this point. OF&W has recommended outreach and education, which is what NCPRD is doing at this time. Tonia is sending out the website information.

Action: Coyote issue is closed until there is a further occurrence.

Earth Day: Planning Earth Day event at NCP on April 18. NW Services Academy Lower Columbia Center Americorp will be asked to donate 5 or so volunteers to help with the event that day. CC would like a lot of participation by as many groups as possible: WES, Office of Sustainability, Stewardship Committee, etc. Pam Girtman is working on participation and event planning. Ideas were solicited and talked about. The Waldorf School in Milwaukie, Laura Johnson, should be contacted for involvement. Eric will send her contact information to Tonia.

Update on sound level testing: Dan Zinzer agreed to receive proposal from sound engineer. The committee will work with Joe Loomis to confirm if the proposal for the testing has been received and accepted and to decide on a date for testing, most likely in the summer and during a tournament.

Action: Work with Joe Loomis and Dan Zinzer to set date and confirm proposal has been received and accepted.

Dog Park Committee: Tony is trying to set up group meetings to discuss the upcoming revised and updated dog park and potential guidelines for it.

Action: Public involvement is being solicited and flyers are being put in the park.

Electronic Sign Information request: Located in parking island by the park sign in north parking facing east. It is about 4' or 5' by 7' with text only. It is only on during park hours and not visible to surrounding neighborhood.

Meeting Frequency: The committee will vote as needed on meeting frequency. Probably the November and December meetings aren't needed because of holidays. It was requested that if meetings are cancelled, that at least a week notice be given. Also, if meeting are cancelled, committee members need to be called as well as emailed.

Action: Meetings will be scheduled as needed. The next meeting is in February.

Update on Horse Arena footing: No work can begin on the footings until warmer and drier weather.

Sally Shook request for live holiday tree: To be discussed at a later committee meeting.

Committee Member Comments

Eric introduced the topic of Committee Member Comments.

Discussion:

There needs to be someone to represent the Milwaukie Center and an alternate to represent the dog park on the Stewardship Committee. It can be staff, the Board or Friends of NCP. Tonia will solicit participation.

February agenda to include:

- the Cascade Heights Charter school letter
- Earth Day update
- update on horse arena footing (tbd)
- sound level testing
- update on concept plan ideas

Tony requested copies of the NCP North Side Planning report for the Milwaukie Center Library. Rose will send a couple copies over to the Center.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE
For
North Clackamas Park

May 27, 2009
Milwaukie Center

MEETING SUMMARY

PRESENT:

Representatives: Eric Shawn, JoAnn Herrigel, Tony Clark, Sally Shook, John Denny

Alternates: Susan Shawn, Steve Berliner

Guests: Ann O'Donnell, Dick Shook

Staff: Tonia Burns

ABSENT:

Representatives: Lisa Gibson, Fr, Matthew Tate

Alternates: Jim Schuld, Dave Somann, Beth Ragel, Rick Frank

Minutes:
March minutes were reviewed and approved as written

Earth Day event report:
The group agreed that the event had been successful and organized well, despite the low attendance (about 30 kids and 65 people altogether.) They noted that they would like to advertise more widely next year if they can reserve the cafeteria area at the Milwaukie Center to assure adequate space for a larger group. It was suggested that SOLV, the new Watershed Council, WES and Oak Lodge Sanitary might be helpful in getting the word out to folks next year. It was also suggested that the coaches for the baseball teams might spread the word to parents who have kids at games during the event.

Officer nominations and Elections:
Eric noted that he and JoAnn have each completed 2 two-year terms in their current positions and are term limited. He asked for nominations for Chair and Vice Chair. Steve Berliner nominated JoAnn for Chair and Susan nominated Steve Berliner for Vice Chair. JoAnn said she would consider the nomination but asked to be able to think about it until the next meeting. Elections tabled until June meeting.

Steve asked if we should have a process for note taking. It was noted that usually District staff took notes but that Rose was out sick and couldn't attend.

Eric asked what the District's view of supporting the Stewardship Committee was. Tonia responded that they were supportive of the group.

Steve asked if the lack of backup (note taking etc) was indicative of any issues. Susan noted that Dan Zinzer used to come regularly and then Michelle Healy came for a while and then Michelle and Tonia came and now just Tonia attends (which she appreciates). Susan said she assumes that others would attend if they were needed. Steve agreed that we should invite them specifically if there is a larger issue.

Susan asked Eric if he would agree to continue maintaining "the spreadsheet" for the group now that his term as Chair is up. Eric said he would agree to do that.

North Side Plan for NCP:

Herrigel noted that she had written a letter on behalf of the Milwaukie Park Board to the District regarding the north side plan for NCP. The letter expressed the Board's support for the North Side Plan and encouraged the District to pursue implementation of those elements of the master plan that were permissible now and to pursue revision of the rest of the plan to conform with the Title 13 rules being adopted by Milwaukie. She noted that the letter discouraged the District from shifting funding from the north side plan project to other projects despite the restrictions Title 13 might impose. She said she had communicated with Michelle Healy regarding funding for the north side plan and it seems that SDC funds and Metro local share funds were allocated to this project. Both these funding sources generally require formal action to shift funds among projects.

John Denny asked what impact Title 13 has on the plan. Tonia noted that, for instance, while the trail can still be built, it must be narrower and must not contain toxic materials. She noted that the big thing is the amount of impermeable surface allowed within the natural area. The project can't exceed a certain threshold. She said that the District can (and plans to) complete the removal of the culvert, replacing of the bridge, and installation of signage.

Steve asked why it was necessary to comply with rules that hadn't even been adopted yet. Eric noted that the rules were to be adopted by Jan 1 2009 and those jurisdictions that didn't meet that timeline, he thought, were required to follow the rules as though they HAD adopted them.

Tony asked what impact this had on the dog park. Tonia responded that since we have a dog park now, we won't have to remove it but modifications to it or relocation of it within the site would most likely not be an exempt action under title 13.

Tony asked if, for instance, a fence that was 3 feet high could be replaced with one that was 5 feet high? Or can we only fix the fence if it falls down? In general, he wondered what could be reported to dog owners about the status of the dog area renovations they are expecting? He asked that something be written up describing this new turn of events

and requested that this memo have a contact name and number for folks to call for more information.

Sally asked if someone from the District (or the City?) could attend the next Stewardship meeting to explain the Title 13 impacts on this project and to describe how (or if) we can move forward under these new circumstances. JoAnn said she would be meeting with Michelle Healy the next day and would discuss with her the possibility of a memo (letter) and a presentation at the next Stewardship meeting.

Status of Painting the Score Board: Tonia reported that Kevin had purchased the paint and it would happen soon.

Watershed Council formation: Susan reported that the group had chosen a name: North Clackamas Urban Watershed(s) Council. They have by-laws almost completed and they are planning to go to BCC for formal acknowledgment within the next few months.

Tonia noted that in a conversation she had had with Rick Gruen recently, he'd suggested that they go to each jurisdiction before going to BCC for acknowledgement. Susan said she (or Nicole West) would check with the county to see if this was "required" or just suggested.

Sound Testing: Tonia reported that the last she had heard – the District was waiting for dates for testing to take place – she said she would check into this further. (The group suggested that the July tournament might be a good time to do these tests).

Horse Footing: The group asked if it had been dry enough to do the work Lisa had requested. It was noted that Lisa had said she'd get the "protocols" to Kevin and there was no update in her absence. It was also noted that the sign on the gate by the arena was to be changed but no update was available. Tonia will check with Kevin to see if Lisa gave him the protocol and if he has then followed up and re-set the footing. Tonia will also follow up with Kevin about the gate sign.

Backpack Blowers: Dick reported that his concern re: early morning blowing at the park seems to have been addressed by Kevin C and Joe Loomis. Dick noted that the District wasn't supposed to do this work until after 8 am and they had been doing it earlier. He said that he would see if Kevin and Joe had an impact.

Community Announcement: It was announced that Chris Runyard was doing a Three Creeks walk at 9 am the following Saturday

Tony asked how he could get a copy of the 162nd Park Plan. Tonia said she'd send him a link.

The group adjourned.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

for

North Clackamas Park

June 24, 2009

Milwaukie Center

MEETING SUMMARY

PRESENT

Representatives: Eric Shawn, Tony Clark, Sally Shook, JoAnn Herrigel

Alternates: Susan Shawn, Holly Denman

Guests: Ann O'Donnell, Dick Shook

Staff Tonia Burns, Rose Jessee

ABSENT

Representatives: Lisa Gibson, John Denny, Fr. Matthew Tate

Alternates: Jim Schuld, Dave Somann, Beth Ragel, Rick Frank, Grady Wheeler, Steve Berliner

Agenda

Chair & Vice-Chair elections: There was no quorum for elections so they will take place at the July meeting. Steve Berliner was nominated for Chair. Eric will email when he hears back from Steve whether he accepts it. Tony Clark has accepted the nomination for Vice-Chair.

North Side Plan Update:

- A handout on the planning changes from Title 13 has been drafted and will be finalized and approved by Susan Shanks soon for public distribution by the City of Milwaukie.
- Title 13 prevents some of the things that were planned for.
- The culvert can be done now without any further land use process.
- A meeting with the District and Milwaukie planners will be arranged soon to see what can be done now and what else will be affected on the plan by Title 13.
- The DAB is committed to spending the allocated funds on the NCP north side.
- The City wants a master plan before any trail work happens.
- Tonia will give a tour of NCP after her annual report is finalized. She will be able to discuss the past, present and future plans for the park.
- Trail may be relocated.
- Tonia has been taking training for natural resource management plans for the oak habitat and to construct natural fire breaks.

Interpretive Signage Update:

Scoreboard painting: Painting completed. Scoreboard is black.

Watershed Council Update:

Update on sound level testing:

- The testing has been completed. We are waiting for the final report from the contractor.
- Tony suggested anecdotal sound testing.
- Eric has a sound meter that he has offered to anyone.

Update on Horse Arena footing, dedication & naming: Footings are set. The naming and dedication will happen at a future date. There has been no word yet from Lisa.

Agenda Planning

Stewardship Committee:

- The organization of the committee will be discussed at a later date.
- It needs to be decided whether the institutional and residential representative positions can be combined.
- Milwaukie Center representative needs to be discussed.

Committee Member Comments

Discussion:

- Parents need to monitor the creek where kids go and throw rocks at the ducks. Joe Loomis will be contacted. There are educational and supervisory options available. Susan Shawn made a formal request to NCPRD to come up with proposals by the next meeting. The sports leagues were going to come up with activities but haven't.

Citizen Comments

Discussion: None

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Next meeting will be held on July 22nd, from 4 to 6 pm at the Milwaukie Center.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

for

North Clackamas Park

July 22, 2009

Milwaukie Center

MEETING SUMMARY

PRESENT

Representatives: Eric Shawn, Tony Clark, Sally Shook, Steve Berliner

Alternates: Susan Shawn

Guests: Pat Russell, Dick Shook

Staff Tonia Burns, Rose Jessee

ABSENT

Representatives: Lisa Gibson, John Denny, Fr. Matthew Tate, JoAnn Herrigal

Alternates: Jim Schuld, Dave Somann, Beth Ragel, Rick Frank, Grady Wheeler, Holly Denman

Agenda

It was pointed out that the meeting minutes need to be available a week prior to the next meeting.

Chair & Vice-Chair elections:

ACTION ITEMS

Minutes approved

- Eric moved that the minutes be approved. Sally seconded. *Approved*

Memo to DAB regarding Dog Parks:

- The Stewardship recommendation will be presented to the DAB in September.

OMBUDS ACTIVITY: REQUESTS & REPORTS

North Side Planning Update:

- Tonia will have more Title 13 information at the August meeting
- Tonia got as close to exact measurements as possible of all elements of the master plan and submitted them to Susan Shanks. The City of Milwaukie will now run the plan through their Title 13 codes.
- Tonia will be meeting with City of Milwaukie planners and JoAnn in the next couple of weeks.

- A summary of the meeting and their findings will be presented at the next DAB meeting.

Watershed Council Update:

- The Council was recognized by the BCC in June and officers were elected. They are now developing goals and financial plans.
- It joins NC Urban, Kellogg, Mt. Scott, and Jennings Lodge Watershed Councils.
- Officers are: Chair-Susan & Eric Shawn, Vice Chair-Marshall Johnson, Treasurer-Steve Boiner, Secretary-Pat Russell
- Council initially set up for 6 month term.

Proposals requested for monitoring students at the creek:

- A survey of the area was done and the main threats are the neighbors' weeds and kids disrupting the natural areas.
- Asking Joe Loomis and Beth Meyer to attend the next meeting for suggestions and perhaps work something out with the sports leagues.
- There needs to be signage to show damage done by kids and dogs. Tonia will come up with the verbiage.
- Suggestions: place signs on the stands with info, add info to the rules packets for tournaments, have Rec Mobile on site during the tournament in affected areas.

Update on Sports Complex sound level testing:

Update on sound level testing:

- The cost for the sound testing was exactly $5,750.00 from Daly-Standlee & Assoc. Inc.
- Final report hasn't been received yet and NCPRD will follow up on status.

Update on Horse Arena footing, dedication & naming:

- No update

Agenda Planning

August

- Joe and Beth come to meeting to discuss creek supervision and options to prevent degradation
- Tournament update
- Recommendation to DAB regarding dog parks-by Eric and Steve
- City of Milwaukie update on Title 13 regulations-by JoAnn or Susan Shanks
- Tonia to report on the restoration work crews
- Horse Arena update-footings need to be revised by Lisa.

Committee Member Comments

Discussion:

- Tony will conduct the BARC survey
- Eric, co-chair of the Watershed Council, is getting a list of projects in all phases. NCPRD needs to get District's project list to him as well.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

for

North Clackamas Park

August 26, 2009

Milwaukie Center

MEETING SUMMARY

PRESENT

Representatives: Tony Clark, Sally Shook, John Denny, JoAnn Herrigal, John Gill

Alternates: Susan Shawn, Holly Denman

Guests: Pat O'Donnell, Ann O'Donnell, Dick Shook, Maria Brinker, Dianna Frasier, Melanie Adams, Shonna Schroedl, Beth Killian, Angela Monn, Cheryl Ausmann-Moreno, Jonathan Isaac

Staff Tonia Burns, Rose Jessee, Joe Loomis

ABSENT

Representatives: Steve Berliner, Eric Shawn, Lisa Gibson, Fr. Matthew Tate

Alternates: Jim Schuld, Dave Somann, Beth Ragel, Rick Frank, Grady Wheeler

Agenda

ACTION ITEMS

Minutes approved

- Tony moved that the minutes be approved. Sally seconded. *Approved*

OMBUDS ACTIVITY: REQUESTS & REPORTS

North Side Planning Update:

- Tonia and JoAnn met with planners at the City of Milwaukie and presented the elements of the concept plan to see where the plans were in relation to the interim Title 13 code. None of the elements are complete roadblocks. The dog

park may also be allowed to be moved. The current uses would be allowed and modified under their interim code.

- Before applying for the first phase, the City of Milwaukie needs to adopt the master plan into their comprehensive plan. The original plans may need to be mitigated as close to the public recommendations as possible.
- Timeline-The master plan will be completed in the next 2-3 months. There is a 45 day lead time before the plans will go before the planning commission after that.

School access to park:

Holly read the letter she wrote and sent out to all of her students' families into the record.

- After the letter was sent out, there was a lot of feedback from parents about options e.g. parents volunteer to create path around rose garden, install back gate to school, 2 lanes for cars, upper classmen participate in a safety patrol, ignore the letter and use parking lot anyway.
- JoAnn stated that the park and parking lot are both owned by the City of Milwaukie. She's looked into the codes when the ball fields were built and there is nothing to prohibit the school's use of the park/parking lot.
- Tonia requested a formal proposal from the school so that cost estimates and other requests can be made.
- JoAnn will work directly with Holly so that a temporary solution is in place by September 8, and will continue to work on it until a permanent solution is agreed upon. She offered to liaise with the Milwaukie Center if needed as well.
- JoAnn advised the parents of students not to park there until an agreement is reached. Shonna Schroedl strongly objected, saying there was no legal ground for the request and that it indicated a discriminatory attitude towards the school and all involved with it. JoAnn verified that the request not to park there was unenforceable but it might show good faith toward a mutually satisfactory agreement.
- It was also pointed out that if the rose garden parking was supposed to be exclusively the Milwaukie Center's, there is no signage indicating that.
- Maria Brinker also asked why there was no school zone posting. It may need to be requested.
- It was brought up by several people that the Milwaukie Center hasn't made it easy for other outside groups wanting to use the facilities and have events there.
- Jonathan Isaac suggested parking past the rose garden by the back gate for now.
- Sally Shook pointed out that the Center doesn't even open until 8:30 a.m. so why is parking an issue anyway? School starts at 8:00 and all parents have left well before the Center opens.
- JoAnn will send a map to the school indicating the preferred parking spots.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

for

North Clackamas Park

September 23, 2009

Milwaukie Center

MEETING SUMMARY

PRESENT

Representatives: Steve Berliner, Tony Clark, John Denny, Beth Ragel, John Gill, Eric Shawn

Alternates: Susan Shawn

Guests: Ann O'Donnell

Staff Tonia Burns

ABSENT

Representatives: Lisa Gibson, Fr. Matthew Tate, JoAnn Herrigel, Sally Shook

Alternates: Jim Schuld, Dave Somann, Rick Frank, Grady Wheeler, Holly Denman

Agenda

ACTION ITEMS

Minutes approved

- Steve moved that the minutes be approved. It was seconded. *Approved*

OMBUDS ACTIVITY: REQUESTS & REPORTS

Draft letter regarding Dog Parks:

- Memo from Stewardship Committee to Dan Zinzer. Letter was read into the record.
- Tony commented that he would like a minimum of 6 acres in size.
- Locations of the 2 new parks would ideally be balanced on both sides of I205.

- Susan Shawn stated that the District shouldn't ignore the needs of dog owners in favor of organized sports. Dog owners need to be organized and the Committee needs to advocate on their behalf to support the dog park movement with the district.
- Eric moved to send letter as is to Dan Zinzer on behalf of the Committee. Susan seconded. Motion approved unanimously. All offered highest level of support (1 finger).
- BARK survey is still being worked on by Tony.

School access to park:

- Beth read into the record the letter written by JoAnn. Holly and Kevin Cayson met to work on the relocation of the gate. JoAnn, Pam Girtman, Holly and a parent will be meeting. The Friends of North Clackamas Park have offered a donation of $365 towards the gate. Money comes from a grant from the Milwaukie Farmer's Market.
- Ann asked why the County wouldn't pay for the gate. Steve wasn't sure but pointed out that it may have budgetary concerns or that the school isn't entirely County property. There has been no offer from the County or the City of Milwaukie concerning the cost of the gate.

Creek impact letter:

- Ann O'Donnell drafted a letter to be given to players' parents and coaches regarding creek activity. Copy given to Committee for review.
- Tonia stated that the signs are in the works.
- Tonia will have time in October to work with Ann and any other interested parties to work on this. Dick Shook requested that the letter be signed by the County as well as the Friends of NCP.
- A-frame signs at parks would be very useful around the park and at the concessions building as well.

Update on Sports Complex sound level testing:

- The results of the sound engineering study with possible mitigation solutions were distributed by Tonia for the Committee to review for the October meeting.

Title 13/North Side Plan:

- Environmental Youth Corp is back working in the park again. They are also working on the Mt. Scott Creek riparian buffer zone and will be back out at the park next week. They are doing seed collecting as well. Repair work is moving from east to west.

Watershed Council Update:

- Given subcommittee approval to apply for an OWEB (Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board) Grant for NCP and removal of the culvert at the mouth of

NORTH CLACKAMAS PARK STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

5440 SE Kellogg Creek Dr; Milwaukie, OR
Milwaukie Center
January 27, 2010

MEETING SUMMARY

PRESENT

Representatives: Steve Berliner-Chair, Tony Clark-Vice-Chair, Sally Shook-, JoAnn Herrigel-City of Milwaukie, John Gill-Friends of the Milwaukie Center, John Denny-Youth Sports
Alternates: Susan Shawn
Staff Tonia Burns, Natural Resources Coordinator; Rose Jessee; Recorder
Guests: Ann O'Donnell-neighbor, Rosemary Crites-neighbor, Jonathon Isaac-7th grade teacher CHPCS, John Weaver-PE teacher CHPCS

ABSENT

Representatives: Fr. Matthew Tate, Beth Ragel, Eric Shawn, Lisa Gibson
Alternates: Jim Schuld, Dave Somann, Rick Frank, Grady Wheeler, Holly Denman, Beth Ragel

Meeting Called to Order at 4:05 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

- Correct minutes as to the wording of the horse arena to read "Gibson WAS asked why..." Jim Schuld was removed as an alternate because of health problems.
- *JoAnn Herrigel made motion to approve minutes with above stated correction. Tony Clark seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.*

Action Items

- **DAB**: The letter composed by Eric Shawn and signed by the Committee was in the DAB packets. It wasn't really discussed at January's meeting. There may be a need to ask for the issue to be an action item or to pass a resolution in the future. S. Shawn and T. Clark discussed forming a subcommittee to formulate a set of stronger recommendations. Dick will request the issue to be put on the agenda.
- **Dog Park hours:** A Neighbor or D. Shook's sees and hears people and their dogs before and after the park opens and closes. K. Cayson is currently advertising for an onsite caretaker which should fix the problem. T. Clark requested a temporary, weatherproof bulletin board at the entrance of the dog park.

- **Creeks update:** 600 live stakes were put in. There are 1500-2000 bare root plants that have been purchased and will be planted in the riparian zones of Camas and Mt. Scott Creeks. The Youth Corp. is coming again starting in February for 12 Saturdays and will be working in many of the NCPRD parks.
- **Noise Study:** S. Shook stated that a sound barrier wall adjacent to the fence or dugout along with the other solutions weren't fiscally feasible. Standlee did the sound study at Lakeridge High School as well as the NCP study, so the District will request information about the Lakeridge solutions. S. Berliner suggested the consultant visit and explain the report and the solutions suggested in the sound report. All Committee members strongly agreed (1 finger). Committee members and neighbors are to get their questions in to T. Burns before the meeting. Some info requested already was: a demo of specific sound levels, Lakeridge sound solution, the estimated costs of the various solutions and examples of barrier effects.
- **Earth Day:** Committee will ask E. Shawn at the February meeting about Earth Day and combining events with Milwaukie events the Shawns are already involved in. Anything that is planned cannot conflict with stakeholder events in the April. A volunteer day on April 17 may be organized, and that would be all. Jon Isaac offered a service event to T. Burns involving the students at CHPCS.
- **North Side Planning:** The Title 13 process is moving along. The City of Milwaukie has asked that the District get the master plan adopted into their master plan prior to beginning the land use process. T. Burns is almost ready to submit the plans. S. Shawn requested that T. Burns have the Committee review the NCP plans before submittal. T. Burns showed a copy of the final concept plan to the group and assured everyone that the plan had not changed since the last time they reviewed the plans.

OMBUDS ACTIVITY: REQUESTS & REPORTS

- **Parking/parents' student drop-offs:** The new gate was installed. It was partially funded by the Friends of NCP. The gate is locked during school hours and only opens for student pick-up and drop-off. There has been no parking at the Milwaukie Center and the traffic back-up on Rusk Road has gotten much better. It all is working great.
- **Draft letter on creeks and noise:** The letter has been reviewed by P. Girtman. T. Burns gave it back to A. O'Donnell so they can finalize it together.

Agenda Planning

February

- Sound mitigation decisions

NORTH CLACKAMAS PARK STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

5440 SE Kellogg Creek Dr; Milwaukie, OR
Milwaukie Center
March 24, 2010

MEETING SUMMARY

PRESENT

Representatives: Steve Berliner-Chair and Friends of Kellogg and Mt. Scott Creek and Environmental Interests, Tony Clark-Vice-Chair and Dog Park Interests, John Gill-Community Center Advisory Board, John Denny-Youth Sports, Eric Shawn-Friends of NCP, Lisa Gibson-Horse Arena
Alternates: Sally Shook-Environmental Interests
Staff: Rose Jessee; Recorder
Guests: Ann O'Donnell-neighbor, Dick Shook-neighbor

ABSENT

Representatives: Fr. Matthew Tate-Eastern Orthodox School, JoAnn Herrigel-City of Milwaukie
Alternates: Dave Somann, Rick Frank, Grady Wheeler, Holly Denman-Cascade Heights Charter School, Beth Ragel-City of Milwaukie, Susan Shawn-Friends of NCP
Staff: Tonia Burns, Natural Resources Coordinator

Meeting Called to Order at 4:05 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

- 3x4 weatherproof notice board hasn't been purchased yet, just approved by the Committee.
- The Friends of North Clackamas Park donated $365 for the purchase and installation of the fence for the school.
- *E. Shawn made the motion to approve minutes with above stated corrections. Clark seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.*

Updates

- Susan Shawn will now be the primary representative for Friends of NCP and Eric Shawn will be the alternate.

- March 4 Mutts had a large turnout and was attended by Tony Clark and John Gill. The vendors were all crowded together in the concourse area and would have

been more comfortable if they were spread out. More vendors also could have attended if their locations were better arranged. The event sponsored Ani-meals on Wheels.

- **Website:** Website corrections made by Eric were given directly to Tonia by Steve. The link to Friends of NCP needs to be fixed and correcting the site to say the Stewardship Committee is for stewardship and not a steering committee.

- **Representatives:** Susan Shawn will be the primary representative representing Friends of NCP and Eric Shawn will be the alternate from now on.

- **Natural Resources:** Sally reported Tonia and Jeff have done a ton of work in the riparian areas. Signage is going up with more to come. Improvements are moving forward.

Discussion Items

- **DAB discussed DSA Engineers Noise Study at last meeting:** At the last DAB meeting this topic was discussed and it was an action item. Several people who regularly attend the NCP stewardship committee meetings were in attendance; Eric Shawn, Anne and Pat O'Donnell, Rosemary Crites, Dick Shook and Tonia Burns. The DAB concluded that it was important to get the sound engineer to attend a DAB meeting so that folks can ask him additional questions about the study and report. They would like to find a way to resolve this issue. Tonia is hoping for the sound engineer to attend the May DAB meeting and will confirm with the Committee as soon as she knows.

- **North Side Master Plan:** Tonia has been attending all of the City of Milwaukie Title 13 meetings and will continue to attend in the future. At this point the group has reviewed the draft code and the next meeting we will review the maps associated with the code. The timeline for this process is predicted to go through the summer and finish sometime late summer/fall. In the meantime, NCPRD be turning in the North Side Master Plan Comp Plan amendment application soon. It is 95% done; we just need a little staff time to make some final changes. Steve stated he wouldn't support any new development in the natural areas with the exception of the dog park, which has to be done. The buffer areas need to remain as natural areas. Steve also stated support for the storyboard project.

- **Funding transfer to Trolley Trail project and Story Board commitment by NCPRD:** Notes from the February DAB meeting-Healy reported that the construction of the Trolley Trail will be the only capital project in the budget for next year. The SDCs available may not be sufficient to finish the project. We

NORTH CLACKAMAS PARK STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

5440 SE Kellogg Creek Dr; Milwaukie, OR
Milwaukie Center
April 28, 2010

MEETING SUMMARY

PRESENT

Representatives: Steve Berliner-Chair and Friends of Kellogg and Mt. Scott Creek and Environmental Interests, Tony Clark-Vice-Chair and Dog Park Interests, John Gill-Community Center Advisory Board, JoAnn Herrigel-City of Milwaukie
Alternates: Sally Shook-Environmental Interests, Eric Shawn-Friends of NCP
Staff: Michelle Healy-Planning Supervisor, Kevin Cayson-Maintenance Supervisor, Rose Jessee-Recorder
Guests: Ann O'Donnell-neighbor, Dick Shook-neighbor, Rosemary Crites-neighbor

ABSENT

Representatives: Fr. Matthew Tate-Eastern Orthodox School, John Denny-Youth Sports, Lisa Gibson-Horse Arena, Susan Shawn-Friends of NCP
Alternates: Dave Somann, Rick Frank, Grady Wheeler, Holly Denman-Cascade Heights Charter School, Beth Ragel-City of Milwaukie
Staff: Tonia Burns, Natural Resources Coordinator

Meeting Called to Order at 4:05 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

- Tony suggested to change the wording regarding the March for Mutts (is it suppose to say Mutts or Minutes or March for Mutts event) to,"More vendors would have made for a better event." Minutes were updated.
- *Eric made the motion to approve minutes with above stated corrections. JoAnn seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.*

Discussion Items

- **Transfer of North Side Plan funding to Trolley Trail project**: Michelle Healy explained about the funds transfer. Trolley Trail construction should be beginning soon (fall of 2010). That project is federally funded and requires a 10% match. The cost estimate for construction is estimated at $3.5 million. Including design, engineering and planning, the estimated total is $4.5 million. The $239k that was transferred from NCP North Side to the Trolley Trail project is to be used to help build up a contingency for the project construction. Because the local share funds have very specific spending requirements, we will use them to pay for a portion of the required project match. This frees us 239K in SDCs to remain as contingency for the project. If the contingency isn't needed, the money could be returned to the NCP North Side project.

- Generally construction bids are coming in lower than engineer's estimates; however, until the project is bid we won't know for sure. It would be irresponsible for NCPRD to enter into a construction project of this magnitude without additional contingency set aside. The current cost estimate does include some contingency (as required by ODOT), but not very much.

  Eric asked if there were any unexpected construction/planning/engineering things that are anticipated. Michelle said there weren't any expected, but we won't know for sure until the project is underway. The project is being bid in one piece, including the River Rd to Park Ave section. The District is waiting for the final confirmation from TriMet on whether light rail is coming. If it is, that section will be pulled out of the bid as TriMet would be building that section during their construction. If light rail is built, the district has requested the trail be built as soon as possible by the light rail, but at this point TriMet does not have enough information on the project to confirm the timeline.

  Tony asked what happens if the contingency needs to be used. If the contingency is used, we'll have to wait for the capital budget to get built up again before doing any projects.

  Rosemary asked if the money is guaranteed to come back to the North Side project. Michelle said that is the intent. Once we know the status of whether or not the contingency is needed (expected before the budget discussions start next spring), staff would recommend putting money back towards NCP in the 2011-12 budget. However, there is always the chance that project priorities could change (or an emergency could arise). For example, the stewardship committee, could suggest to the DAB that the money be used to buy land for a new dog park instead, or the City of Milwaukie could recommend that the funds be used for the Riverfront Park.

- **DAB transfer of funding into the Natural Areas program:** Tonia, Jeff and District Planning staff are working on an inventory of District owned property, including values, natural areas, habitat, ecological makeup, percent of active areas, etc. Completion of this survey will allow the District to be able to prioritize projects and set goals. The DAB has approved spending up to $100k to finish the inventory and complete the planning. The District is working on completing a fire management plan. This plan will provide important natural resource information. Staff is working on developing a process to respond to the DAB's request (while also taking into account the Fire Management Planning that is set to begin). Staff hopes to discuss options with the DAB in July. Katie Dunham (a District Planner) will likely help Tonia Burns with developing and managing the planning process.

- **Dog Park issues:** As new dog parks are listed in the NCPRD Master Plan as a long term goal, Tony asked for a definition of "long term". Michelle explained that it was "beyond 20 years". The Master Plan will likely be updated in the coming years and dog parks could get reprioritized as a result. Tony asked how the District searches for dog park properties. Michelle said the District doesn't look specifically for dog park properties now, however they are a considered use during all park planning processes (e.g. Hood View). Tony asked if a committee could be formed to start looking for places to create more dog parks. Michelle said that the District could definitely consider that but right now staff availability to support such a process is limited. Staff support will be important because the creation of more dog parks in new locations will require public outreach (we've learned that lesson!). Michelle suggested that the stewardship committee recommend a dog park planning process be done as part of the work plan for the following year. In the meantime, the stewardship committee could continue to collect ideas and

brainstorm how the process could happen.

Pat Russell and Dick and Sally Shook have suggested several sites in the past, but there was no District follow up to their suggestions as far as they knew. Steve and Tony may get together and write a letter to Michelle as a follow up to the meeting. Tony will draft a formulation of an acquisition committee. The Committee had strong unanimous consent and recommended that Tony proceed.

It was clarified that the dog park planned in Hood View Park was only conceptual and at less than one acre, would be too small to be workable.

Kevin will check with District policy to see if Tony could have a key to the announcement board in the dog park so Tony could better maintain announcements, etc.

- **Tree cutting in Mt. Scott Creek:** The District's staff didn't cut the tree in the creek and don't know who did.

- **North Side Master Plan:** The NCP comp plan amendment application was submitted on April 26. Planners said it was good and no changes will be needed before proceeding to the planning committee. The approval letter hasn't been sent yet. (Update: approval letter received May 4 and additional required copies were delivered the same day**).**

- **Covered areas:** Kevin Cayson will have the signs on the covered areas changed to "Reservable" and not "Reserved" to avoid confusing the public.

- **Note: Michelle Healy was present until 5:00.**

OMBUDS ACTIVITY: REQUESTS & REPORTS

- **Letter for coaches and teams-Ann's:** About 200 letters were sent out to coaches and players. Joe Loomis has also included it in all his emails. A copy will also be put in the baseball kiosk. A sandwich board outside the entrance with the letter posted may be put up during games and tournaments. If it is, the concessionaires would probably be responsible for displaying and storing it.

Agenda Planning

May

- Milwaukie Code Enforcement Officer may attend to discuss NCP code issues.

Committee Member Comments

Discussion:

- *none*

Citizen Comments

Discussion:

- *none*

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Next meeting will be held on May 26, 2010 from 4 to 6 pm at the Milwaukie Center.

Milwaukie Center Community Advisory Board and Friends of the Milwaukie Center

- CAB: August 10, 2007
- CAB: November 9, 2007-Comment Letter
- CAB: December 14, 2007
- CAB: May 14, 2010
- CAB: June 11, 2010-Agenda
- CAB: July 9, 2010-Comment Letter
- FMC: July 6, 2010-Comment Letter

North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District
MILWAUKIE CENTER/COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD
Minutes of August 10, 2007

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ben Horner-Johnson, Molly Hanthorn, Joy Estes, Eleanor Johnson, Carolyn Mills, Joan Staley, Kathi Schroeder, Jane Hanno.

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Ben Tabler, Kim Buchholz, Chuck Petersen, Katie Rudfelt, Jim McCready.

GUESTS: Michelle Healy

STAFF PRESENT: Cheryl Nally

CALL TO ORDER: Kathi Schroeder called the meeting to order at 9:35. Jane Hanno moved to approve the minutes and Molly seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Chairperson Joan Staley took over management of the meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

DISCUSSION ITEM: Michelle Healy presented the three concept plans for the north side of the park. She explained each plan in detail and answered questions from the board. Concept A appeared to have the least amount of changes and concept B had the most changes. Concept C seemed to be a hybrid of A/B.
Michelle also reported that these plans have been presented to many groups including the Friends, the North Clackamas Park Stewardship Committee and at a public meeting.
She asked the board to fill out a questionnaire to help with the planning. The next public meeting will be on August 22 from 6-8pm at the Milwaukie Center for discussion of the concept plans.

BOARD/COMMITTEE REPORTS

North Clackamas District Advisory Board: Molly reported on the joint meeting with the NC District Park Board, the County Commissioners and the Clackamas County Parks Board. The meeting was held at Happy Valley Park. An update was given on the Emergency Ordinance which went into effect on July 20, 2007. It stated that "possession of alcohol shall be prohibited in Barton and Carver Parks until Wednesday, September 5, 2007. Discussion of the issue brought out that there are various regulations in the different parks and various opinions held by members of the board. Staff will continue research and a task force may be appointed to study the issue and make recommendations to the County Commissioners. Grants have been received of 1/2 million dollars for the Stringfield property and $150,000 to be used for acquisition of property for County parks.

Molly also reported on the meeting of August 9, 2007. Michelle Healy presented the three preliminary concept plans for the north side of the park. Gary Barth shared a

memo from Dan Zinzer on an initial review of the North Clackamas Youth Ball Fields. The importance of the Stewardship Committee's involvement in resolving any issues that arise was stressed. The September 13 meeting of DAB will be at Pfeifer Park on 139th and Sunnyside Road.

North Clackamas Park Stewardship Committee: Eleanor reported the ball-field noise was discussed and a report was given on the restoration of the area for horses.

Nutrition/Transportation: No meeting

Future Planning Task Force: The meeting was focused on categorizing the suggestions from the prior brainstorming session.

OTHER REPORTS

Friends of the Milwaukie Center: Eleanor reported that the Lumberjack Breakfast will be held on September 22. Clackamas Live will be held on September 8-9 with art activities for children, art vendors, live music, food vendors and an art show.

Governor's Commission: Joan Staley passed out information about the Everyday Heroes Recognition ceremony to be held in October. Individuals whose acts of courage and kindness to help elders remain safe in our communities will be honored. More information is available at 800-358-3117.

CENTER REPORT: Cheryl Nally reported on the Ice Cream Social being held today. The Center will be closed from August 27-31 and will reopen after Labor Day. During this time upgrades to the Center will be done. The phones will be open and Meals On Wheels will continue. Programs and Services Committee will meet on October 8.

AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING: Area Agency on Aging Plan for 2008-2011. Stefanie Reid will present the plan.

The meeting was adjourned at 11am.

Carolyn Mills, Secretary

November 9, 2007

To: Dan Zinzer, Director, North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District
Michelle Healy, Senior Planner, NCPRD

From: Joan Staley, Chair person
Milwaukie Center/Community Advisory Board

Re: North Clackamas Park North Side Planning

At the Milwaukie Center/Community Advisory Board meeting on Friday, November 9, 2007, the board discussed the recommended amenities for the north side concept plan. We would like to share the consensus of the board regarding several issues:

- Emergency Firewood Program – this program serves up to 100 older adults and people with disabilities during winter months assisting them to augment their heating costs with wood. This program also recycles fallen trees for the Parks District, County Parks, North Clackamas School District, other agencies and private individuals. The program has a shelter that was built by "Hands On Portland" volunteers and a stationary splitter that was donated and set up through an Eagle Scout project. The Emergency Firewood Program is the only one in the tri-county area and an important community resource. It needs adequate space, to be secure and yet easy to access for staff, volunteers and users.
- Community Garden – This program has been a success for decades, starting with basic ground plots and then developed more recently by Clackamas High School students to include raised beds and a garden shelter. The program allows older adults and people with disabilities in the community to plant and harvest produce from their garden plot. The program fills with a waiting list every year and is supported by Clackamas County Master Gardeners. We want to honor the work of the kids and ensure the safe keeping and support of this popular program.
- Parks Maintenance and Milwaukie Center storage facility and entrance road – C/CAB members are concerned that the entrance road to a storage facility not interfere with parking in the back of the Milwaukie Center and not displace the Emergency Firewood Program. Additionally, we want to ensure that adequate space is available for secure parking of the four busses used by the Milwaukie Center within the storage facility compound.
- Master Gardeners request for a greenhouse – C/CAB members are in support of the request for a greenhouse for Master Gardeners. Master Gardeners and NCPRD/ Milwaukie Center have had a long-standing positive relationship. Master Gardeners use the Milwaukie Center as their "home base" for community workshops and chapter meetings. Master Gardeners would like to increase their support of the community through the utilization of a greenhouse for community workshops and plant propagation for use in NCPRD parks.

- New Parking entrance configuration – there is significant concern from our board about the current configuration of the entrance to the new parking lot north of the Milwaukie Center's current parking lot. The recommended entrance is a "straight shot" going right in front of the Milwaukie Center's front door. It can easily become a raceway. Older adults and people with disabilities who park in the Milwaukie Center parking lot and walk across it to access the front entry will be charged with dodging many more cars and potentially faster moving cars. This is a substantial safety concern. We urge you to reconsider the entrance to construct it more like the current entrance to the gravel area in front of the A-Frame which would then require people to drive slowly around the Milwaukie Center parking lot curve and then turn again into the new parking area.

We ask for serious consideration of the above issues and request that you meet with us at our next meeting on Friday, December 14, 2007 at 9:30 am, to share what resolutions you recommend for the blending of North Clackamas Park North Side Planning and the existing programs and services of the Milwaukie Center. Please feel free to contact me at 503-654-3036 for any further information or questions.

North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District
MILWAUKIE CENTER/COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD
Minutes of December 14, 2007

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ben Tabler, Ben Horner-Johnson, Eleanor Johnson, Katie Rudfelt, Jane Hanno, Joy Estes, Molly Hanthorn, Carolyn Mills, Joan Staley

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Chuck Petersen, Kim Buchholz

STAFF PRESENT: Joan Young, Cheryl Nally, Donna Lugibihl

GUESTS: Michelle Healy

CALL TO ORDER: Molly Hanthorn called the meeting to order at 9:36. Molly asked that a motion be made for the minutes to be accepted as written. Ben Horner-Johnson noted a correction under Call to Order in the November minutes. His full last name was not printed. After this correction was stated, Ben Horner-Johnson moved to approve the minutes and Carolyn Mills seconded. The motion was passed unanimously. Joan Staley took over chairing the board meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE: Joan said she received an e-mail from Kim Buchholz. He was unable to attend today's meeting because he had a Chamber event happening at Willamette View Manor. He wished everyone happy holidays.

DISCUSSION ITEM: It was discussed that Carolyn's name be on the minutes as she is the elected secretary. Molly thought it might be a good idea to review the By-Laws regarding the secretarial position.

NORTH CLACKAMAS PARK NORTHSIDE PLANNING:
Michelle Healy, Planner for North Clackamas Parks & Recreation, thanked everyone for their comments and input. She noted some changes on the Conceptual Park Plan:

1. The storage trailer, presently located by the community garden, will be moved over to the maintenance and caretaker area.
2. There will be no change in the location of the firewood program.
3. Met with the Master Gardeners about a greenhouse which they proposed. They said they'd be willing to have a smaller structure (45' x 30') which they will build and maintain. It will be situated near the community gardens.
4. Since there's been concern about people speeding through the parking lot in front of the Center, Michelle said they are trying to come up with traffic calming options to slow people as they're heading into the new parking area. The new paved parking area will be located where the gravel area is by the covered picnic shelter.

Michelle reported that they have been given $400,000 of Metro Greenspace money and she's working with the consultants to get the most bang for the buck.

Michelle invited the board to an Open House on Thu, Dec 20, 5-7 pm at the Milwaukie Center for people to look at the final plan and draft report. Staff and consultants will be available to discuss the documents and answer questions. If anyone is unable to come,

she'd be happy to mail copies of the documents. In January, the DAB will look at the proposed plan and take appropriate action.

BOARD/COMMITTEE REPORTS

North Clackamas District Advisory Board: Molly was unable to attend so Eleanor went in her place. Eleanor said they had a party so no business was discussed. A scented candle was presented to Molly for her work on the board.

North Clackamas Park Stewardship Committee: Nothing to report.

Nutrition/Transportation: Joy Estes reported that last year, 73,777 meals were served (both Meals on Wheels and Congregate) and that $87,235 was raised for the Nutrition Program through many fund-raisers. Transportation ridership remained about the same except there were more people using the shopper bus. The Bazaar went well this year but to make it more profitable, it was decided to expand it by renting out more tables and using the available rooms. Because of everyone's busy schedules, it was decided to either meet every other month or every third month.

Future Vision Task Force: Joan Young said the meeting was cancelled this month. Before going further, the task force would like to go out into the community and see what they want.

OTHER REPORTS

Friends of the Milwaukie Center: Eleanor commented on what a nice Holiday party they had at the Center and how lovely the Center was decorated.

Eleanor also mentioned she had attended the Chamber of Commerce Ad Hoc committee meeting and she really enjoyed it. It was a small group made up of business women, who meet on a monthly basis. She said she plans on attending again to get a better idea of the purpose and goals of the group.

Governor's Commission: Joan Staley said that a group of 4 of them worked hard doing telephone interviews with potential members. She felt they had some really qualified candidates.

She mentioned that Governor Kulongowski spoke about the need for better health care in Oregon. The question is finding the best way that is the most affordable.

CENTER REPORT: Joan Young reported that they finally hired a Recreation Supervisor to replace Jan Wirtz. Beth Meyer, the new Recreation Supervisor, will be starting on Jan 14 because she's moving from out of state.

On Tue, Dec 4, Kaiser executives, doctors and administrators came to the Center for a 4-hour "day of service". They worked in the kitchen, serving lunch and putting up decorations. Larry Thompson, a local farmer who is connected with Kaiser, provided some produce for the meal. He and his wife came to the Center for lunch that day. Joan

was excited at the prospect of forging a lasting relationship with him. He grows 40-50 different crops on his land and often times has extra which he's not able to sell and would potentially donate to the Nutrition Program.

Information/Announcements: Cheryl Nally announced that she has given her resignation effective Jan 23, when she will be retiring. She still plans on working part time for special projects at the Center. Joan Y. said they are going into the hiring process, having met with a recruiter, but it will take several months to fill the position.

Agenda for the Next Meeting: Joan Y. asked for suggestions. One item would be to look at the budget for the coming year. Molly suggested doing more outreach in East County; perhaps having a satellite campus.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:28 am.

Donna Lugibihl for Carolyn Mills, Secretary

North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District

Milwaukie Center/Community Advisory Board

Minutes of May 14, 2010

MEMBERS PRESENT: William Bersie, Molly Hanthorn, Ben Horner-Johnson, Eleanor Johnson, Carolyn Mills, Charles Petersen, Katie Rudfelt, Kim Buchholz, Elizabeth Young

GUEST: Diane Bauer, Volunteer with Milwaukie Center

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Ben Tabler, John Gill

STAFF PRESENT: Joan Young, Donna Lugibihl, Cheryl Nally

CALL TO ORDER: Eleanor Johnson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:31 am.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Chuck Petersen made a motion and Bill Bersie seconded the motion, to approve the minutes of the April 2010 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE: Joan read an e-mail from Michelle Healy regarding an update on the land use for the north side of North Clackamas Park. The comprehensive plan amendment application is complete and is scheduled to go to the Planning Commission on July 27. Then it would go to City Council for adoption on Aug. 17. Joan handed out a map of the park with the proposed changes. There was discussion about the 40 space parking lot and how the traffic would impact the Milwaukie Center. It was requested to have Michelle come to the next board meeting to address some of these concerns. There was mention to draft a letter to the City regarding the traffic problems and safety issues affecting the Center. It was decided to wait on the letter until Michelle speaks at the next board meeting.

Joan received a phone call from Kevin Cayson, Parks Maintenance, who reported that he met with a company to put in a speed bump by the Center. They marked the proposed speed bump location on the road and Joan asked board members to check it out and give their opinion.

DISCUSSION ITEM

Rights and Responsibilities: Code of Conduct

Cheryl passed out a draft copy of the Rights and Responsibilities for patrons who come to the Center. She researched other senior centers on-line and spoke to the social services staff and the Program and Services Committee to get their input and ideas. Cheryl asked the board to look over the draft to see if they had anything else to add. It was decided to name the document, "Code of Conduct". Elizabeth made a motion to accept the document as written and Kim seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved. The board thanked Cheryl for all her hard work and effort.

STAFF REPORT

Office Coordination/Reception

Donna reported that she has 3 job titles: Receptionist, Office Coordinator and Newsletter Editor. She shared some statistics about the receptionist position, including receiving 17,903 calls for 2008-2009 and scheduling 1,350 tax appointments. Donna oversees 19 volunteers who work the front and back receptionist desks, take newsletters to 10 retirement facilities and businesses, and produce flyers and posters for the Center. They average about 1,750 volunteer hours per year.

Donna also described the process of putting the newsletter together each month, from collecting the articles from staff, enhancing the paper with photos and clip art, proofing and tweaking it before sending it to the printer. Presently 4,500 people receive the newsletter by mail with an additional 430 who get it on-line.

Other responsibilities include updating 2 websites and Facebook as well as preparing and sending a publicity calendar and press releases to several media contacts.

Donna has been a notary for over 10 years and performs about 80 notaries a year.

BOARD/COMMITTEE REPORTS:

North Clackamas Parks District Advisory Board

Bill attended the NCP Advisory Board meeting and reported:

1. Water Environmental Services is proposing mitigation on the Harmony Community campus for a pipeline/water issue by diverting more water to other treatment plants. This is an on-going project with many permits required.
2. The sound study at North Clackamas Park is an on-going issue. One proposal is to install plexiglass on the back area of the fence and stands. Most of the noise appears to be coming from the spectators. The contractor will report back on the costs for the plexiglass.
3. Mt. Talbert Park does not allow dogs on the trails. Signs will be posted by Metro.

North Clackamas Park Stewardship Committee

Joan read an e-mail from John Gill regarding the NCP Stewardship Committee meeting. Michelle Healy, from the Park's office, spoke about the Trolley Trail funds transfer. Questions were raised about where the money will come from to complete the north side of North Clackamas Park. Michelle said the money would come from "capital funds" which presently are very low. She assured us that North Clackamas Park would not be forgotten.

Next month a person will speak about code enforcement in the park. One of the neighbors keeps an eye on the park and reported that a group of kids were seen throwing bicycles across the creek. A blue heron was also seen catching fish on a couple of occasions. Kevin Cayson, Parks Maintenance, felt that he, instead of the park caretaker, should be the contact person for issues.

OTHER REPORTS:

Friends of the Milwaukie Center

Elizabeth reported that Tax-Aide donations were over $13,500. The Gift Shop sales have increased by 25% over last year and Bingo brought in $5,000 more than last year. The Spaghetti Dinner cleared $1,511 and the Housing Fair was a success. The Rose Garden

Committee plant sale on Fri., May 7, cleared nearly $500. Jim McBee proposed giving free hot dogs or hamburgers to the Bingo volunteers on the last day of June. Elizabeth announced a new board member, Janet Peschka. The Wine and Roses Dinner is coming up on May 22, 6 pm and silent auction items are still needed. The Rose Garden Committee offered to prepare a basket for the silent auction. The Milwaukie Center 30th Anniversary celebration is scheduled for June 4, 4-6 pm. Invitations were passed out to board members and all were encouraged to attend.

CENTER REPORT:
Joan reported that construction on the Meals on Wheel's area is proceeding nicely and should be complete in about a month. The money for construction was obtained from 3 grants: The Collins Foundation, Ann & Bill Swindell's Charitable Trust and Clackamas County small grants. The Friends of the Milwaukie Center also contributed funds.
The last janitorial service failed miserably and they are now gone. Presently they're hiring for 2 part time people: one weekday person with a set schedule and a second person to work weekends on call. John Evans is the lead staff person overseeing this.
Joan also mentioned that concerts in the Rose Garden will resume in July and August.

INFORMATION/ANNOUNCEMENTS:
Kim mentioned that he tried to download the Spring Healthy Living Guide and it wasn't readable. He felt it wasn't a good idea in the first place. Fortunately, the Summer Guide was printed and mailed.
Kim proposed the idea of having self-addressed, stamped envelopes provided during the Friends' annual campaign so more people might donate.

AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING:
Joan reported that Katie volunteered to obtain a slate of C/CAB officers for next year and Bill offered to help.

ADJOURN:
Eleanor adjourned the meeting at 10:48 am.

Milwaukie Center

~ Serving North Clackamas County ~

CENTER/COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD

AGENDA

Friday, June 11, 2010

9:30 a.m.

Milwaukie Center Salal Room

Milwaukie Center – a LINK to help in later life – a PLACE to gather, grow and give

I.	**CALL TO ORDER**	ELEANOR JOHNSON
II.	**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** May 14, 2010*	ELEANOR JOHNSON/ CAROLYN MILLS
III.	**GUESTS**	
IV.	**CORRESPONDENCE**	
V.	**BOARD OFFICER ELECTIONS, 10/11***	KATIE RUDFELT
VI.	**DISCUSSION ITEM** NORTH CLACKAMAS PARK, north side development	MICHELLE HEALY, NCPRD JOANN HERRIGEL, CITY of MILWAUKIE
VII.	**BOARD/COMMITTEE REPORTS** NC PARK DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD NC PARK STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE	 BILL BERSIE JOHN GILL
IX.	**OTHER REPORTS** FRIENDS OF THE MILWAUKIE CENTER, INC.	 ELIZABETH YOUNG
X.	**CENTER REPORT**	JOAN YOUNG & STAFF
XI.	**INFORMATION/ANNOUNCEMENTS**	
XII.	**AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING**	
XIII.	**ADJOURN**	

* = ACTION ITEMS

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RECEIVED
JUL 13 2010
CITY OF MILWAUKIE
PLANNING DEPARTMENT

July 9, 2010

To: City of Milwaukie
Katie Mangle, Planning Director
6101 SE Johnson Creek Blvd.
Milwaukie, OR 97267

From: Milwaukie Center/Community Advisory Board
Eleanor Johnson, Chair Eleanor Johnson sig
5440 SE Kellogg Creek Drive
Milwaukie, OR 97222

Cc: Michelle Healy, North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District

Re: North Clackamas Park North Side Plan

It is our understanding that the City of Milwaukie Planning Commission will review the North Clackamas Park north side concept plan, presented by North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District, and make recommendations to the City Council for final approval.

Milwaukie Center is a division of North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District, located in North Clackamas Park (NCP). Milwaukie Center provides a myriad of programs and services to assist older adults and people with disabilities in North Clackamas County to remain independent for as long as possible. Seniors will comprise a larger percentage of the population in the coming years – statistics show that by the year 2030, 1 in 5 people will be 65 years or older, and about 1 in 20 people will be older than 85. The Center is already a hub of activity, with hundreds of people utilizing the Center on a daily basis. The numbers of people accessing the Center will continue to grow due to the changing demographics.

During the public comment opportunities for the NCP north side planning process, concerns were voiced both about parking issues and traffic safety issues. Our board agrees with the need for more parking, especially as amenities are added to the park, which will attract more use. Our concern is that the concept plan for the NCP north side moves traffic through the Center's parking lot to get to the new parking area. This design causes greatly increased volume of vehicular traffic to go immediately past the front doors of the Center. Safety of pedestrians is compromised with this design. Patrons cross the parking lot at many different angles and directions to enter and exit the Center. The Center and TriMet buses stop at the Center's front doors, creating more congestion and obstructed visibility for pedestrians and drivers.

July 6, 2010

Katie Mangle
Planning Director
6101 SE Johnson Creek Blvd
Milwaukie, OR 97206

The Friends of Milwaukie Center Board of Directors want to express our concerns regarding an issue related to the proposed plans to improve North Clackamas Park. Although we support the majority of improvements planned for the north side of the park, the configuration of the new parking lot, requiring traffic to pass by the front door of the Milwaukie Center, is problematic. The Milwaukie Center has hundreds of people come through our door on a daily basis to access programs and services. Although many active people come to the Milwaukie Center, a majority of our patrons move at a slower pace and some use walkers or wheelchairs. In addition, many patrons may have issues with sight and/or hearing. An additional visual barrier is created by the Milwaukie Center's passenger busses which stop in front of the Center throughout the day, along with several stops by TriMet busses. When the busses are loading or unloading patrons, there is less room for traffic to pass by and a dangerous situation is created with people crossing to the parking lot and stepping out from behind a bus.

We feel that access to the new parking lot should be rerouted in some way so that the additional traffic will not be passing directly through the Milwaukie Center's parking lot, especially in front of the door. Although this solution will obviously add cost to the project, we feel it far outweighs the cost of just one pedestrian accident, injury or fatality.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Steve Brown, Chairperson and
The Friends of Milwaukie Center Board of Directors:

Art Hanson	Jean Schreiber	Jerry Griffith	Jim McBee
Andy Couckuyt	Michele Johnson	Bill McDonald	Shirley Possehl
Matt Green-Hite	Albert Crompton	Janet Peschka	Al Wolf
Maxine Soules	Carolyn Dickman		

Neighborhood Meetings

- 1/14/09 Lake Road
- 9/26/07 NDA Leadership
- 1/20/09 Oak Lodge Community Council

Agenda for January 14th, 2009 Meeting

Lake Road Neighborhood

Call to Order at 6:30PM

Read previous Meeting Minutes and approve

Treasury Report

New Business:

Leadership Meeting Minutes

Tonia Burns - Clackamas County Natural Resources Coordinator

Lake Road Update

Old Business:

Well 8 update

Immovable Foundation Church

Mike's Memo, Announcements, etc.

Round Table

Adjourn at 8:00PM

Next Meeting date: February 11, 2009

Snacks for February meeting?

Lake Road NDA Minutes for Jan. 14, 2009 (approved Feb. 11, 2009)

Location: Rowe Middle School

Meeting brought to order by chair Debby Patten at 6:40.

Secretary Phil Favorite read the minutes from the December meeting. The minutes were approved.

Tonia Burns from North Clackamas Parks & Recreation District spoke to the group about Phase 1 of plans for enhancing the north side of North Clackamas Park. She said with the funding available, her group has targeted four key areas for improvements: the dog park, the walking/hiking trail, installation of a pedestrian bridge and an enhancement of vegetation with an emphasis on native planting.

Dog park improvements will include dividing for a big-dog area and a small-dog area, in response to public input. The trail improvement will involve connecting to the south part of the park in a loop trail, with interpretive signage with information about the watershed, habitat and vegetation in the park. Ms. Burns said the trail will be altered from the original plan because of potential flooding and will help restore threatened salmon habitat. The pedestrian bridge will be moved from the flood-prone area; the bridge will be installed in conjunction with the removal of a crushed culvert to help water flow through more easily.

Ms. Burns said Phase 2 of the park improvements is not in motion yet.

City representative Grady Wheeler spoke to the group about revised plans for improvements to Lake Road and a January meeting with the public regarding improvements to the intersection of Lake and Oatfield Roads. Mr. Wheeler said the meeting was successful because the new plan includes many of the suggestions offered by the public. He said the Lake Road plan may extend to Southeast Freeman Way. He also said that re-striping will be all that's needed to improve bus movement through the Oatfield intersection. He said the north-bound lane on Oatfield may have a left-turn signal added as well as a straight arrow, whatever it takes to better accommodate pedestrians and bikers.

Mr. Wheeler said there are meetings ongoing that may make storm-water restrictions more stringent, which will increase costs. He also passed out notes from the January meeting and encouraged us to review the notes and make suggestions to the project managers. Treasurer Kathy Buss suggested having grant funds involved once the plan is finalized for additional items such as an active speed-limit sign.

Kathy gave a treasury report. She passed out a spread sheet of LRNDA expenses for the group to look at. Kathy wrote up a set of LRNDA Grant Guidelines and passed out copies to the group. She again encouraged the idea that the group vote on possible grants without the recipient or its representative present. She expressed concern about the limit

on allotments (Item #5 in the guidelines). Neighbor Ron Silverman recommended that Item #5 be eliminated because it is too limiting. The group expressed agreement. Kathy said she'll eliminate Item #5. Kathy said she'll revise the guidelines. The group agreed to vote on the revised guidelines.

Chair Debby made general announcements. She suggested we invite interim mayor Jeremy Ferguson to a meeting. Neighbor Susanna Pai announced that her position on the citizens safety committee will be up on March 31 and encouraged anybody interested in joining the committee to call her. Debby asked the group if pizza is still cool for our meetings. The group said yes.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

NDA Leadership Meeting
September 26, 2007

NDA Leaders Present:
Ed Zumwalt, Historic Milwaukie Neighborhood
Ronn Palmer, Ardenwald-Johnson Creek Neighborhood
Kathy Buss, Lake Road Neighborhood
Greg Chaimov, Island Station Neighborhood
Beth Kelland, Linwood Neighborhood

Staff Present:
Larry Kanzler, Police Chief
Beth Ragel, Community Services
Grady Wheeler, Information Coordinator
John Truong, Police Officer

Neighborhood Grant Donations to Boys and Girls Club:

Chief Larry Kanzler introduced Officer John Truong and explained John has been volunteering at the Boys and Girls Club on Bybee and 17th in Sellwood for the past seven to eight months.

- John has discoverd that a lot of Milwaukie kids use the club, and furthermore, that the club needs some resources.
- The club has a bus and van that picks up kids in Ardenwald and Lewelling. John also noted that he's met quite a few kids at the club that go to Campbell School.
- That being the case, the Chief suggested John approach the Neighborhoods and ask them for grant money to support the club.
- The Chief explained John already donates the staff time, so that could be the match.
- John explained they get some funding still, but primarily operate on donations. He said they have an annual fund-raiser.
- The Bybee Boys and Girls Club has a current membership of 375, but John said they're always looking for more kids to join. Kids must be between six years of age, in the first grade, all the way to 18 years of age but still in high school. (All kids must be in school.)
- It only costs five dollars to join, and there are camp opportunities, athletic leagues, camps activities, a computer room, a study room, a gymnasium, and an art room.
- John distributed a wish list - bold items are high priorities. John priced all of the items and provided totals.

On a similar note, the Chief said he's working on finding/creating a youth center for kids in and near Milwaukie.

- Wichita School is being looked at for a Police Activities League (PAL). The PAL program has said they could provide funding for upgrading and keeping Wichita open for a youth center if the school district would donate the building. The school is going to be closed in the near future.

- **Ed Zumwalt** said there have been previous efforts to get the School District to dedicate a school to the community that could be used as a community center since the Milwaukie Jr. High site was sold to the Waldorf School.

- **Ronn Palmer** asked if Ardenwald was considered as a PAL site.
    - Chief said Ardenwald has never been considered for closure. Wichita has.

- Ed said the YMCA felt like they didn't have numbers to support a youth center in this area.
    - The Chief said PAL is a coalition of a number of different organizations and they're actively working toward obtaining a school site.

- **Beth Kelland** asked if there were a more high-ticket item that they could all pitch in to pay for.
    - John said he would check and that he's already looked into the City donating its old computers. He thought maybe a bumper pool table or a digital camera.
    - Beth asked how many Milwaukie kids go there. John said he's met a lot of kids form the Lewelling, Hector Campbell, and Ardenwald Neighborhoods.

Light Rail Safety and Security Task Force:

Grady Wheeler provided a recap of the first Portland-Milwaukie Light Rail Safety and Security Task Force meeting.

- The basic charge of the group is to provide local knowledge about what we're most concerned about with regards to safety and security in our community.

- About 15 citizens attended the first meeting and they came from up and down the corridor – most were concerned residents, some had some crime-prevention background.

    - Milwaukie was well represented; probably about half of those in attendance were from Milwaukie.
    - Some had filled out an application and are formal members, others who were interested in the Task Force's work, showed up and participated because of the relatively small turnout.
    - Those interested in attending future meetings are encouraged to do so.

- TriMet presented a brief overview of how they generally treat safety and security issues and then people were directed to break into groups and create lists of the issues they thought most important.
    - TriMet, Portland Police, our Police Chief and staff from Milwaukie and Metro were on hand to provide information.
- Some of the main things raised at the meeting:
    - Light Rail has proven to be a conduit of crime and drug activity, how will TriMet address that?

- Light Rail would tie up east west traffic on collectors such as Harrison, Monroe, Washington and Lake.
- How do you keep enough eyes on the line as it goes along the Tillamook line behind the buildings in the North Industrial area to keep it safe?
- Milwaukie PD will likely be the first responders to light rail incidents, which drags resources away from our local PD. How will TriMet address that?

- The point of the task force is to raise these kinds of concerns in the coming months and for the project to respond while it's still in the early planning stages.

- Next meeting is preliminarily set for Oct. 10th, at Metro—no time selected yet.
  - This meeting will be a field trip. They will ride the Interstate MAX and look at stations and meet with stakeholders to see how they addressed safety and security issues.

SE Portland Light Rail Planning:

- **Beth Ragel** handed out flyers for the upcoming open houses to take place.

TSP Update:

- **Beth Ragel** noted that the DRAFT CHAPTERS are now on the City's website and can be viewed at: http://www.cityofmilwaukie.org/milwaukie/projects/tspupdate/tspupdate.html
- **Planning Commission hearing Tues October 23rd 6:30pm**

Parks Updates:

- Riverfront Park: David Evans is now completing permit applications for federal, state and local permits and land use applications. Staff plans to submit a grant application to Oregon Park and Recreation Dept in April 2008 for at least one phase of the park.

- The Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board (OWEB) has awarded a $50,000 grant to Johnson Creek Watershed Council and the City to design a revegetation plan for Klein Point and some "in-water" work at the mouth of Johnson Creek. JoAnn Herrigel will work with Greg Cianella of the JCWC to get that going.

- JoAnn is working with Sarah Smith of Hector Campbell to get an RFP out this winter for the final phase of Homewood Park.

- JoAnn is working with Lisa Batey of Island Station and Engineering staff to get parking designed for Spring Park and then hope to get an RFP out on that park development as soon as possible.

- Ardenwald is working with JoAnn to acquire some property west of 32nd for a park and Beth Ragel is working with Lake Rd NDA to ID sites in their neighborhood for a future park.

- Kathy said Lake Road is eager to take a field trip

- Park SDC rate increase will go to County Commissioners on October 11.

- North Clackamas Park north-side planning is underway—SEE SURVEY

  David asked how the negotiations were going to include our parks into the District. Provide maintenance. David said agreement with City for mowing and it hasn't been happening.

Arts Committee Formation:

At the Sept. 4th regular Council session Carlotta Collette talked with Council about the effort to promote Arts in the community and the need for a Milwaukie Area Arts Committee. Council unanimously voted its support of pursuing this. Beth will be the staff liaison to this new committee and she is presenting the needed code language to create this new committee on Oct. 16th at the regular Council session. Members will be needed and applications will be open to all.

Downtown Parking Update:
Provided a handout explaining parking zone changes on the south and north part of town. Those with permits now have on street options to park throughout the day.
A big cleanup was underway at the parking lot behind Chopsticks. Municipal lot.

Town Center Project—updated renderings:
- Beth handed them around for viewing.

City Leaf Drop: Beth reminded folks that you can drop your leaves for FREE at the City's Johnson Creek Boulevard facility (6101 SE JCB) **Oct. 27th, & Nov. 3rd & 17th and Dec. 1st & 8th** from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Residents can bring leaves bagged or loose. For more information please call (503) 786-7615.

NDA Sharing/Announcements:
- Spring Park Yard Sale fundraiser – Sunday, Oct. 30th, at the Cash Spot from 10am to 2pm. Contact Lisa Batey if you can donate items or help with the sale.

- Landlord Training Oct 20th, PSB 9:00am

- Ardenwald walk-to-school day, Oct. 3rd, meet at 7:30 a.m. at Lisac's.

- Ed wanted to thank everyone on the behalf of Dion who showed up to help with the Downtown Cleanup day. They had about 12 people who helped, including Greg Chaimov from Island Station. Dion would like to have a cleanup every quarter or so, and wants to focus on brining the merchants into the fold.

- Greg announced that the Library received a grant from Clackamas County for a poetry series. This will be held the second Wednesday of every month at the Pond House. They also are working to have the State's poet laureate in the spring.

- Greg also passed around an information sheet for a campaign to increase the number of County Commissioners from 3 to 5. This issue will be on the November ballot.

- Beth handed out the pumpkin carving contest flyers

- David made a pitch to start thinking about the budget and projects they would like to be seen done in their Neighborhoods—particularly small capital improvement type projects.

AGENDA
Regular Council Business Meeting
January 28, 2009
Oak Lodge Sanitary office
Oak Grove, Oregon

Dick Jones, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm in the meeting room of the Oak Lodge Sanitary District.

ROLL CALL: Roland Atkinson, Anatta Blackmarr, Catherine Blosser, Jane Civiletti, Edith Coulter, George Dietz, Lynn Fisher, Jerry Foy, Thelma Haggenmiller, Eleanore Hunter, Chips Janger, David Jelinek, Dick Jones, Pat Kennedy, Jim Knapp, Jim Martin, Esther Prouty, Ed Riddle, Paul Savas, Henry Schmidt, Eric Shawn, Susan Shawn, Baldwin van der Biji, Leonard Waldemar, Bill Wild and Doug Woods.

Introduction of Attendees
Each person present, both voting and non-voting members of the community, introduced themselves noting their names, area of residence and position in the Oak Lodge Community Council, if applicable.

Council Reports
Treasurer's Report - Sue Conachan
Previous balance of $217.04 plus $28 less the $225 written in checks to 3 groups leaving an ending balance of $20.04. The checks where written to
Clackamas Women's Services, Annie Ross House and Clackamas Emergency Services.

Minutes from December 3, 2008 for approval
Jerry Foy made motion to accept, Lynn Fisher seconded –unanimously passed.

Thelma spoke about the application from the County for people to participate in the McLoughlin Area Action Plan Outreach Committee. The county wants to establish a small outreach group to form an RFP to form a visioning process to decide what they want to begin to look at – about 7 layers of process and a 2 year period.

Special Speaker: Tonia Burns, North Clackamas Parks, Update on North Clackamas Park
She passed out maps for the group and put a display map on an easel. She is the Natural Resources Coordinator – started last year, still relatively new - the north side enhancement project. The planning began before I arrived. The public was asked and from those comments a conceptual master plan for the north side enhancement area was done. We have looked at the conceptual plan and went back to the public and to the contractor. We don't have lot of money and came up with Phase 1 elements that we could tackle. Within Phase 1 there will be 1) an enhanced Dog Park, 2) loop trail around north

side, 3) interpretive signs on the loop trails, 4) pulling out a crushed culvert and replacing it with a bridge and 5) vegetation enhancement of Camas Creek. The map notes a 100 year flood plain, required buffer zones and survey lines. The contractor is fixing a few things and there will be a few more tweaks through the Spring. Looking to do the work in the summer, hoping for more funding for signs and in the future additional vegetation enhancement for next winter. Working on getting the non-natives under control. Tonia clarified a number of questions concerning the project. Zoning will go through the city of Milwaukie, this is a more informational presentation. Timing is still within the conceptual phase, future phases are based on the ability to get funds, will be done on a piecemeal basis.

Special Speaker: Michael Read, General Manager OLSD, Update on sewer plant upgrade. Sewer treatment is one of the most expensive infrastructures we have and most of it is invisible. Most in this country built in early 60's and 70's – lots of federal grants then, now most systems are needing to be replaced. He provided a variety of historical population growth noting that in all that time the total water supply has not changed. Pollutants are decreasing the amount of water available. 50% of people in hospital beds are there due to water borne disease.
The efficacy in sanitation is why we have been able to boost population.
Provided a DVD presentation to help the community plan for the future needs of drinking water and have sanitation needs satisfied. Intention is to take the show on the road because we need the support of the community. He has a two fold interest – 1) to run this by you and 2) what are community groups you know of to help get the word out. As far as timing, we thought we would finish the pre-design right now and go out to bid at the end of the year. We are ideal for economic stimulus package so we are advocating this to be part of the current economic stimulus. This could result in lower interest rates and therefore lower rates to all. We could move the timing frame to be able to submit within the deadlines for stimulus funding. He provided more details on funding and timing.

District Reports:

Scott Weninger – Clackamas Fire #1
The Department is proceeding through the budget process - balance between what the staff thinks we need and what the people can afford. Within 30 days might have up on the website information about our planning process. Not many public agencies have escaped a shortfall – we've tightened our belts – we've seen about 1 and 1/2 % of revenue not coming in. Property taxes are our primary funding source – foreclosures and tax payment timing – we are being frugal and more attention paid. In next years budget, the Chief has requested that there be 0% growth and no new employees. We are expecting a lean year. We are following some legislative bills, the Novelty Lighter legislation and there are some urban renewal bills. He reviewed the pros and cons. This has brought the cities and the counties together to talk to us about this. Seems that something will be going through this year. Urban renewal takes money away from our ability to keep you safe. The area around Clackamas Town Center is still on the rolls, the center itself was rolled off. Need for Urban renewal in the Overland Park are – we take the brunt of the urban renewal funding.

Oak Lodge Water District – Jim Knapp
Relocating water service from public waterways and also upgrading the plastic piping. And surveying which ones to go after next. Lot of plastic breakage in the system – so locating and repairing. Working to flush the system according to plan. Pump stations contractor being identified.

Clackamas County Service District CAC – Jim Knapp
Various details on what is going on including the decision made today to not put the pipeline down the Trolley Trail. Jim discussed possible future rates and understanding and appreciating how well informed we are here in Oak Grove.

Sustainability/Trees – Cathie Blosser
After the first meeting it was clear that the board was not giving attention to the purpose the ordinance was created to address. There is a loop hole that needs to be taken care of. Their idea is to have this ordinance be post development, not pre-development. So go to meeting on Feb 3 at 2:30 in Conference Room in the Old Building, and on Feb 12th from 8 – 10 am the Task Force will be meeting in the new building.

Milwaukie Light Rail – Henry Schmidt
He went to three light rail events in January. 1) a tour on a Tri-met bus along the route. He noted there is a lot of disturbance on the east side and then once in Moreland the route will go down the tracks ad won't effect too much until it gets to Park Ave. 2) attended a meeting at the Bomber with 4 people from Tri-Met and 4 people from Oak Grove area to discuss the Park Ave station and how much funding might be available for grading upgrades. Much of this will be based on whether the crossing is on McLoughlin or by a bridge and 3) a the CAC meeting that discussed the bridges needed to cross the Willamette. There are 3 bridges being proposed - 2 are cable stay and one is called a "Wave Bridge" which is all steel and uses technology that has never been used anywhere else and uses steel available from only one supplier. Hank feels this is an iconic bridge and that there are people who are pushing hard for this bridge – which will be much more expensive to build and to maintain. His fear is that if this bridge is selected then there won't be the money left to build a decent terminal at Park Ave. He passed out a number of maps with various overlays for route considerations and there were questions on the location of the bridge as well.

Dick Jones spoke on the MPAC meeting and the absence of Sam Adams and it was noted that city personnel very rarely attend the MPAC meetings.

Land Use Issues for Voting

Introduction of procedures by Chairperson. Eligibility for Voting, Time Limits, presentations by those in favor, the Council's on-site review and those opposed.

Z0707-08 This is request for one year extension in completing 2-lot partition at 4021 Risley. Dave Jelinek motioned to approve, Lynn Fisher seconded.
Approved - 19 Opposed - 2 Abstain - 4

Z00007-09 This is request to alter a non-conforming and expand the existing play area cover and modify site circulation at View Acres school, 4828 View Acres Rd.
Leonard reported that this is part of the bond issues from a few years ago and that it all looked fairly straightforward. This has come to the CPO because all schools are zoned non-conforming uses. This will only cost $551. Does not look as if anything will disturb any neighbors – just more cover over something currently uncovered and the buses will be separated.
Jerry made motion to approve, Dave Jelinek seconded.
Approved – 24 Opposed - 0 Abstain - 1

General Matters for Discussion

Sexual Predator update: No new information

Trolley Trail Update – Thelma Haggenmiller
Art on the Trail committee meeting – on Feb 11th at 5:30 at Rose Villa there will be a presentation of a draft plan – locations where art would be beneficial and then the CIA meeting is at 7:00.

Council meetings:
February 25, 2009 March 25, 2009 April 22, 2009

Special Council Business meetings, if required to vote on land use issues, will be held normally on the second Wednesday of each month at Rose Villa starting after 8:30 PM. Other Special meetings will be noticed in the same manner as Regular Council Business meetings.

Nominating Committee report:
Jerry Foy presented the following slate of candidates:
Chair - Eleanore Hunter

Vice-Chair- Ed Riddle

Treasurer - Sue Conachan

Secretary - Catherine Blosser

Member at Large - Vote for three

Charlie Stephens Leonard Waldemar Eugene Schoenheit

"Other Community Activities":

CIA group meets at Rose Villa unless otherwise noted.
February 11, 2009 March 11, 2009 April 8, 2009

9:00 PM – **Meeting Adjourned**

News Articles

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Public can alter plan for North Clackamas Park

North end | The parks and recreation district will seek users' opinions for future amenities

By DENNIS McCARTHY
THE OREGONIAN

MILWAUKIE — Now that the hubbub connected with the opening of North Clackamas Park's $3 million-plus ball fields has passed, the North Clackamas Parks & Recreation District is turning its attention to the north end of the 45-acre park.

The district has scheduled a meeting from 6 to 8 p.m. June 20 in the cafeteria at Alder Creek Middle School, 13801 S.E. Webster Road, to let Milwaukie-area residents tell them what they want to see done with all that relatively open space north of the ball fields.

A second public meeting will be held in August or September, and a third in either October or November.

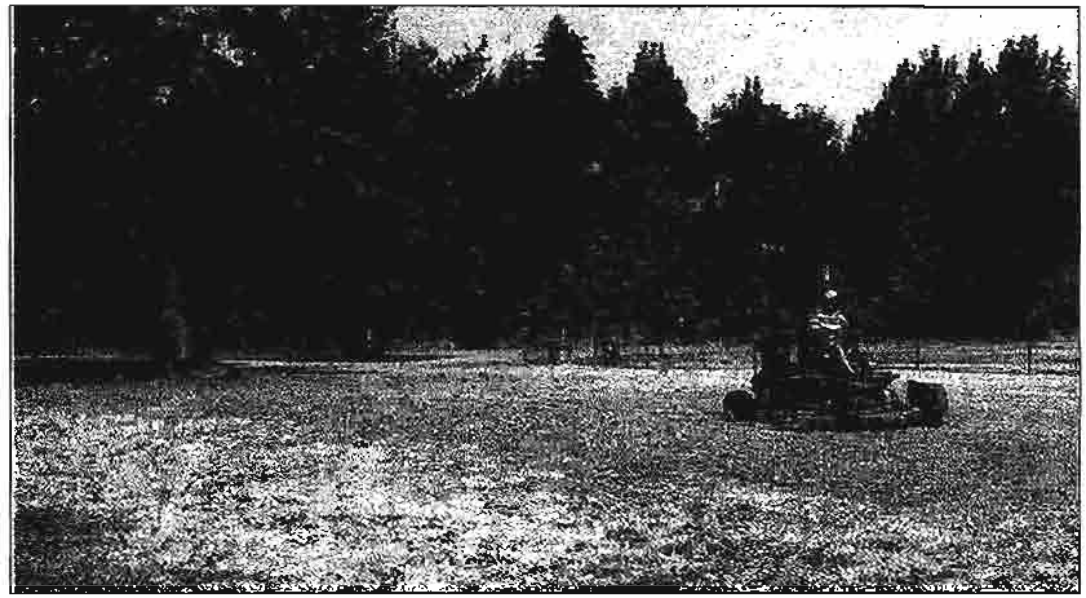
"There's been a lot of interest in restoring and improving the wetlands as well as the streams that run through the park," said Michelle Healy, senior planner for the park district. Healy said the general consensus among park officials is to keep the 20 or so acres north of the ball fields passive — meaning things such as walking trails, improved picnicking areas and maybe some alterations to the dog run area.

Some ideas that already have been tossed around are a bit unusual, Healy said. Some suggestions include setting aside an area for disc golf or creating a labyrinth of sorts, where people can go for spiritual meditation. Other ideas: An area where people can practice tai chi or spaces for holding classes for any number of different subjects.

A casual survey of park users during a visit to North Clackamas Park last week turned up a variety of ideas.

Jim Feehan, a 74-year-old retiree who lives about three blocks from the park, says he would like to see more trees and vegetation planted along the walking trails.

Feehan, who has lived in the area for 35 years, said he used to bring his dog two to three times a week to let it exercise in the fenced dog run at the north end of the park. He and several others interviewed said the dog area should be preserved.



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Thomas McDowell, caretaker at North Clackamas Park, mows the grass north of new baseball fields at the park. The North Clackamas Parks & Recreation District has begun a public planning process for the north end of the park.

Gloria Gillern, a Milwaukie resident and Realtor who also volunteers at the Milwaukie Center, said she would like to see a concrete or gravel walking path around the north end of the park. The current path ends at the dog run.

Gillern said the district also needs to do something to improve the fenced area just east of the dog run, being used as a makeshift storage area.

Fadi Abouadas of Clackamas visits the park with his wife and three young children at least once a week during the summer to play and have picnics. He said he would like to see more playground equipment for children.

Healy said the district's planning consultant, Alta Planning and Engineering of Portland, will draw upon these and other ideas in developing a concept plan for the north end of the park, identifying possible natural resources and recreation improvements.

She said the park district is spending $50,000 for initial concept planning, but likely will tap into the district's $400,000 share of Metro greenspaces bond money to use as seed money in securing grants for later design and engineering work. Healy estimated total costs for improving the north end of North Clackamas Park could top $1 million.

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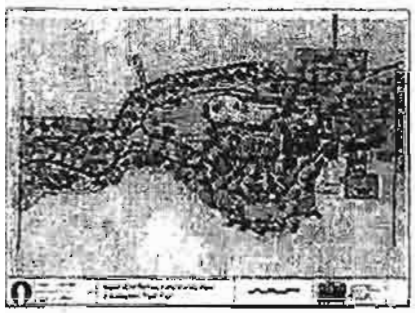
OREGON CITY NEWS 1-2-08

Final draft of N. Clackamas park plan ready for board review

Consultants say public showing keen interest in environmental issues

BY MATTHEW GRAHAM
The Clackamas Review, Jan 2, 2008

The final draft of the North Clackamas Community Park Concept Plan has been completed after eight months, and will be presented to the North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District Advisory Board later this month for approval.



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To view a larger version of the proposed plan, please visit http://www.altaplanning.com/ncp/

The months-long process involved community input through phone calls, the mail, comment cards and a stewardship committee.

"What interested me the most is the public's care for environmental issues," said Mike Rose, a project consultant with Alta Planning and Design.

The park comprises 45 acres with the adjacent baseball park and includes a dog run, which Michelle Healey, the project leader, said required some compromising.

"The dog run was a challenge – there's a strong group of neighbors who want to keep it, but we're also concerned about our neighbors as well."

The dog run will stay about the same size and take up the same space as it currently does, but will be separated off better with new trees.

Rose said the development team focused largely on environmental preservation with the rest of the park, delineating two protected wildlife areas and instituting measures to try to revamp the diminished stream.

To do that, he said the county would remove the culverts that had collapsed into the stream and replace them with bridges, freeing it for fish movement, and restore trees. Shade, he said, lowers water temperatures and makes the stream more suitable for the fish.

"That all aids in the restoration and the overall health of the creek," he said.

The creek and sensitive areas will also be blocked off by a fence, not so much to actually keep people out, but to signal to them that they shouldn't be down there.

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Rose also said he was surprised to learn that in spite of the other concern for the environment, patrons wanted a paved walkway rather than something more porous.

But overall, Rose said he's excited about the project, especially with the nearby community centers.

"In this case, because there is a walking program at the senior center, we think it will be really successful.

Healey said funding options hadn't been looked into much yet.

She said the county will use Metro local share funds, and "other than that we'll have to do some grant writing and look at our budgets and see where we can come up with funds."

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Plan would enhance North Clackamas Park

Amenities | The northern half of the 45-acre tract could see a range of developments

By PETER ZUCKERMAN
THE OREGONIAN

Clackamas County officials in the next couple of months aim to get final approval of a $3 million plan to transform the northern half of North Clackamas Park in Milwaukie.

The 45-acre park off Oregon 224 near Southeast Rusk Road could get improvements that include a new off-leash dog run, a larger trail system, sturdier fences, protected wildlife areas, climbing boulders in the playground area, a 40-space parking lot, interpretive signs and native plants, shrubs and trees.

The northern half of the park now is mostly grassy fields and forested areas.

Parks officials plan to meet later this month and in March with the Milwaukie City Council and other agencies involved with the project to discuss the proposals. Those public meetings haven't been scheduled.

Construction of the first, $500,000 phase of the plan could start in 2009 and be finished by the end of summer, depending largely on how much money North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District officials devote to the park. Parts of the park likely will be closed during construction later this month and in March.

Parks officials spent eight months working on the plan to improve North Clackamas Park, the largest in the Milwaukie area and one of the most popular, said Michelle Healy, Clackamas County senior planner.

The district held three public meetings and a workshop, surveyed neighbors, talked to consultants and met with hundreds of people to develop its proposed plan.

Although the plan probably won't be altered substantially, people with questions or comments about it can contact Healy at 503-794-8004.

So far the district has set aside $400,000 for the project. The agency operates off a nearly $19 million yearly budget, receiving money from Metro grants, a property tax and system development charges.

The money is used for a variety of projects, including maintenance of about 50 parks and greenspaces and the North Clackamas Aquatic Park, as well as operation of the Milwaukie Center.

People in the parks district pay 54 cents per $1,000 of assessed property value. Someone with a $250,00 home would pay $135 a year.

Developers pay the system development charges when building something new. The charges depend on the size of the development and its location. For a single-family home in Milwaukie, a developer would pay $3,985.

The parks district, created by voters in 1990, is about 40 square miles in northern Clackamas County, and it includes Happy Valley and Milwaukie. Its boundaries are roughly the Clackamas River on the south, Multnomah County on the north, the Willamette River on the west and the 1979 urban growth boundary on the east. About 100,000 people live within the district.

In April 2007, the district finished with $4 million of improvements to the southern end of the park. Those improvements included four ball fields, new parking and trails.

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CIVIC CALENDAR

Today

Linwood Neighborhood Associa-

Tuesday

Milwaukie City Council: 5:30 p.m., work session; 7 p.m., business meeting, City Hall, 10722 S.E. Main St. 503-786-7503.

Thursday, Feb. 21

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Booster

Booster Juice, growing Canadian and juice bar opened its newest area location this

Public Comments

NORTH CLACKAMAS PARK

North Side Planning Ideas
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OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

General

- Replace the fence on the east side of the park.
- Remove the spoils behind the dog park shelter and south of the dog park fence.
- Where do buses get parked? In safety
- Congestion on site, busy, intensity of use, parking
- Will need some type of areas for maintenance equipment storage (on north side), and a wash area to clean equipment-one that drains into sewer, not creek. Enough room for a few mowers and a tractor and a lockable building. Near the existing caretaker house will provide easy access to sewer.
- Park maintenance needs space for equipment washing and storage of a few mowers and a vehicle.
- Better signage in park
- Remove all concrete rubble downstream from bridge accessing neighborhood to north
- Need access across swale for maintenance
- Emergency access, need bridge

Parking

- We need this parking, however, buses take up a lot of space here (four buses on lot now)
- Maybe break up parking, put some closer to dogs
- Parking is happening right up to and almost into the wetland area, no buffer
- Negotiate with the Clackamas Christian Center Church to buy-rent-lease their property east of the Milwaukie Center to develop for needed parking! For Milwaukie Center and North Clackamas Parks use.
- Move buses to behind Milwaukie Center or find alternative parking
- Buses were vandalized when they were behind the Milwaukie Center

Restrooms

- Existing restrooms are unattractive-remove or enhance
- Can we get restrooms to be open year-round?
- Maybe leave one restroom open in winter, and more during summer
- Restrooms on west and east sides-better located
- Sewer connections may limit restroom locations

DOGS

General

- Remove the off leash dog area and permit dogs in the Park only on leash.
- Consider off leash hours in the whole park
- Remove off leash area, there was no process when it was put in. Management strategies to control noise and other problems have not worked.
- Keep dogs away from playground and picnics
- If the off leash dog exercise area is to remain, look into moving it to Picnic Area B or move it east to the west side of the rest room and maintenance area.
- Provide a 100 foot buffer between the off leash exercise area and Mt. Scott Creek.
- Do not expand dog run at NCP
- Strongly oppose any increase in size to the dog run, recommend putting it at another location.
- Put dog run in the area below the Aquatic Park.
- Please save space at North Clackamas Park for the furry members of our families to play.
- More dog parks in District to relieve pressure on NCP
- Enlarge the current dog run area – overcrowding is becoming an issue.
- I love dogs but have been advised not to take them to off leash areas because of bacteria and viruses.
- Dog run is noisy – have to listen to barking, growling fighting and owners yelling at dogs constantly.
- I work at home and have to deal with excessive barking from the dog run. Often times this starts early (7am).
- Move the west boundary of the off leash dog exercise area east (255') to provide approximately the same area (1.4 acres) as it now contains.
- Section off a portion of the dog run for small dogs. It wouldn't have to be a large area – maybe a quarter of what is there. The small dogs get overrun and picked on by the large dogs.
- I often see as many off leash dogs running throughout the park as I see in the actual "off leash area". With small children playing in the same vicinity it becomes a real safety issue, especially since we lost the other side of the park to baseball fields. The area for play and leisure has shrunk so kids are having to really watch where and how they run so as not to invite unwanted attention from loose dogs. Dog owners tell me, "don't worry he/she loves children". Unfortunately, my children do not love aggressive dogs.
- There should be no off-leash dogs in any unfenced sections of the park. My wife has been charged and barked at by several unleashed dogs and is afraid to return to the park for her daily walks.
- The present dog park, although not perfect, is a very fine asset in the North Clackamas Park system and benefits many people as well as their dogs. We hope that any future plans for the park will preserve this fine dog park.
- Keep dog park in NCP (in its current location) until an acceptable alternative is found.

- Look at the area next to the church (Clackamas Christian) for a dog run.
- Short term use of "bone yard" (existing maintenance area next to the dog run) area to test separate dog runs

Dog Run

- Priority 1 improvements for dog run:
  - Double gate
  - 5 ft. fence
  - level- no holes, but nice terrain
  - Room
  - Plumbed water (close)
  - Tables
  - Shade
  - Restrooms (in vicinity)
  - Shelter
  - Parking
  - Safe Environment, feel secure
  - Trash service
  - Set of Rules
- Priority 2 improvements for dog run:
  - Structures for dogs to play
  - Lighting
  - Wash area
  - Small dog area
  - Training Area
  - Water feature
  - Timeout area for dogs
- Fence is deteriorating, needs to be fixed
- Wet area around watering hole, should be renovated, have a nicer surface
- Whole dog park should be nicer, no holes/mud puddles, more varied landscape with hills, etc
- A covered area for people when it's raining, and more seating in general; more access points to the park
- Area not big enough to get larger dogs moving, separate areas would be good to keep barking down and to provide different things for the needs of large and small dogs, some dogs need lots of exercise
- A permanent watering area with cement surface to keep mud down
- A clean water feature/pool for dogs where they could play but not get so muddy, something that could be drained for cleaning
- Wash off station for dogs
- Add some trees in the off-leash area

NATURAL RESOURCES

General

- Want to keep the north side in as natural a condition as possible so the environment & wildlife can be appreciated and enjoyed.
- Would like to see the north side stay as a conservation area so the creek, wildlife, vegetation, etc can be preserved and not demolished.
- Try to keep the north side in as natural a state as possible. Thank you.
- We hope for as little impact on the north side as possible. It's nice to be able to take a walk in the park & enjoy the greenery, birds, creek, etc. (when ball games are not going on)
- Create a water fall and pond with different types of plants and trees.
- Provide environmental Interpretation

Culverts/Bridges

- Remove culverts, make natural, no bridge within 50 feet of Mt. Scott Creek, make inlet/refuge area for fish
- Put in walking bridge a little further east to continue the walking trail all around the park
- Walking trail should connect to boardwalk through wetlands, but keep a natural area for critters to live; where people can get to creek, put interpretive signs, but keep banks from eroding, silt kills baby fish
- Replace the culvert under the parking access road to the picnic shelter to provide continued flow from the east end of the Camas Creek.
- Remove the two culverts and road across Camas Creek at its confluence with Mt. Scott Creek and do not replace this crossing. Let the three foot bridges across the Camas Creek further east provide north/south circulation.
- The middle bridge should be the main connection between the north and the south.
- The easternmost bridge may be unnecessary, does not really connect to anything

Creek/Streams/Wetlands

- Remove all paving within the Camas Creek buffers and provide crossings on raised boardwalks.
- Remove non native species from Camas Creek buffer areas and replace with native plants.
- Provide controlled access points to Creek for appreciation
- Provide barriers, such as a split rail fence or posts and chain (as in front of the Rose Garden) to define buffer areas on both the north and south sides of the Park.
- Restore the bank of Mt. Scott Creek next to the original restoration area and remove the bench on the bank (it is within the 50' buffer anyway).

- Leave the NW corner of the Park as a wild area, but look into providing fish resting lagoons in a portion of that area.
- Incorporate the new property on the north side of Mt. Scott Creek into the Park
- Protect northwest corner of park. Possibly have boardwalk to access for interpretive education (e.g. Wildwood Recreation Area on the way to Mt. Hood)
- On the east side of the Picnic Shelter parking lot just north of the driveway there is standing water, with wetland rushes and even ducks swimming in it. Cars are parking right next to this wetland, and are even parking in it. There should be NO PARKING between where the busses park and the driveway.
- About the perimeter fence-Oregon Dept. of Fish and Wildlife and we stewards always advocate wildlife passages. Assuming the front entry gate would not stop a person anyway, please leave several "man-door" un-gated passages in any new fence sections. The less accessible to humans the better – still available to critters.
- Fence all wetlands at the protective buffer using split rail fencing [or alternatives].
- Creek needs to become an enhanced area
- Maybe put up aesthetically pleasing fence/barrier of some kind around wetlands and streams
- Enhance wetland area north of center
- There is a deep pool on the other side of the creek that was a swimming hole. Might be well suited for fish habitat.
- The spring is at the east end of Camas Creek.
- Board structure (for archery?) –no one knows what it is, remove it
- Keep 50 ft buffer on both sides of creek

Vegetation

- All future planting on the north side should be native, such as snowberries, etc ; Maybe occasionally we could use something pretty that's non-native
- This is a perfect area for nature-scaping, with the educational component, to demonstrate how native plant landscaping can be beautiful
- Plants could be labeled for educational purposes
- Use all native plantings
- Plant natives and maintain a sufficient buffer
- Plant low-growing stuff and volunteer maintenance would be used to keep invasives out
- What do we do with large non-natives such as a 50-ft tree?

RECREATION

General

- Keep north side for passive recreation
- This past weekend I attended softball games at this complex and was very much impressed. Most people attending were commenting on what a wonderful setup it was. They do, however, need to invest in the netting that goes over the backstop/batters box area, as foul balls were quite a problem. I believe they already know about this. Also, if it doesn't take place at this complex, it would be nice to see the parks bureau invest in BASEBALL fields that are the size for Babe Ruth players. The few fields left in the area are in desperate need of repairs that the average person cannot afford to keep up. People are just too busy these days to take the time to work together on these projects. They would rather pay someone else (even through their taxes) to do the job.
- Noise should be the primary consideration in all north side plans/proposals. Support any increases in trees/trails/vegetation and passive recreation. Strongly oppose ideas like basketball courts, skate parks, etc. Character of park has already changed dramatically (negatively) for north side neighbors.
- My absolute preference is to have very little development on the north side of the park. However, I would like to see open space improved... remove the holes in the grass, move the A-frame to a less obtrusive area, remove "boneyard."
- Need to listen to sound problems from people around park. Shut off the soda machines at night to save energy and money.

Trails

- Provide a wood chip or other permeable surface walking trail around the north half of the park. The trail could be located in the 100' buffer between the off leash dog exercise area and Mt. Scott Creek, but not within the 50' buffer.
- Provide a paved walk way (sidewalk) along the west side of the parking lot in front of the Milwaukie Center between the sidewalk going into the Baseball area and the large picnic shelter.
- Would prefer wood chips or crushed gravel, not hard trails
- Would like to extend walking trail
- Sawdust walking path with exercise stations along the way. The path should be about 1 mile in length
- Develop/extend the walking path. Use a softer material such as the wood chips. Have a permanent marker along the path indicating distances. Intersperse a few benches along extended trail to rest the weary. Keep it natural and simple.
- I have recently overtaxed my knee when walking on an extended walk on pavement. Dr. advised me to find an unpaved trail. Could a perimeter walking trail be included in the plans, with chips, bark dust, etc so that some of us seniors can continues our walking regimen?
- Don't extend trail to rose garden
- Trail going along north side of Camas Creek, then along Mt. Scott Creek in buffer and behind dog run

- Liked the Wildwood natural boardwalk area
- A boardwalk would be nice through the wet area
- Educational/interpretive signage all along the boardwalk trail
- More trails
- Loop trail to continue around each half of the park; connect in the middle, for a figure 8 shaped trail
- Flower garden with walking trail with different types of flowers and bushes.
- Plant more trees different types with walking trail.
- Provide seating along trail
- Add exercise stations along trail
- Mile markers
- No wood boardwalks, use material (e.g. recycled decking) that is easily maintained for wet areas

Caretaker

- Thinking about putting in one RV pad for the park host/caretaker to replace permanent structure
- Will the Caretakers House eventually be removed?
- Remove caretaker house?
- Removing the caretaker's house opens up more area for park use

Picnicking

- Provide at least two small (12' x 12') covered picnic shelters in Picnic area A.
- Keep all public motor vehicles out of the picnic areas and restrict them to paved or graveled surface areas only.
- Leave the west end of the North side of the Park an open grassy area.
- Group picnic areas with shelters, electricity, and water.
- Would be nice to relocate picnic shelter away from parking
- Nice to be able to unload stuff for picnics/events; Maybe we could have a drive-in drop-off area next to picnic shelter without having it next to parking
- Landscaping around picnic shelter would be nice Maybe put shelter back toward creek where caretaker shelter is currently
- The concrete pad under the picnic shelter is cracking. The structure will need to be renovated in the future.
- Picnic structure/areas-signs say areas are reserved, but areas look open for use
- Would like a sanded volleyball area If horseshoe area was rehabilitated I think they'd get used
- We see more volleyball, badminton sand-based type sports, want an area for this
- Eliminate A-frame and replace with smaller shelters that aren't rented out

- Flex space for picnic areas with kiosk for info
- Milwaukie Rotary erected the A-frame and is interested in its future

Playground

- I recently did a presentation on the Parks District to child care providers. They were looking for parks that are enclosed or have a wall around a play structure so that toddlers and young ones can't run away. There would be one entrance and one exit. There could probably be more with an optional gate that can be closed. I think that parents and child care providers would be able to keep an eye on their children a little better. I have visited a park that has a fence. It's a beautiful park in Chico, Calif. called Caper Acres. I was hoping that we could build something like this around the playground at North Clackamas Park. It would be a good safety feature so that kids can be protected from running into the creek and from the numerous dogs that roam the park without a leash. Ardenwald Park has a wall that prevents kids from running into the street. It's our only park that has fences on 3 sides, but the play structure is very small.
- I would like to see barriers surrounding the play equipment to keep dogs out and little ones in. When a parent has 2 or 3 kids to watch it's nice to know one can't wander off to the creek.
- More play equipment for children
- Climbing rock/play equipment for kids
- Correct playground drainage. The outfall currently flows into the walkway to the bridge and drains slowly.
- Drainage in play equipment area not working. The outflow appears to be blocked or crushed.
- Would love to see water fountains near the play structure.

Other Recreational Amenities

- Small amphitheater for classes
- Storage area added to new restroom
- Bocce ball area
- A labyrinth – There are examples at the Franciscan Spiritual Center (Hwy 224 and Webster) and also one at the Episcopal Cathedral located at 18th & Everett.
- Tai Chi area
- Amphitheater
- Croquet area
- Disc golf course
- Put up interpretive sign about the sculpture
- Consider skateboard area
- Horseshoe pits-redo and move closer to picnic area
- Rebuild and improve the horse shoe pits and bench.
- BBQ areas with water station and electric

- Additional public art
- Basketball court
- Sr. citizen exercise stations-extend walking trail from south side to go all around park
- Sr. citizen fitness plan through the Milwaukie Center to use exercise stations along walking trail
- Small greenhouse for Master Gardeners near the Milwaukie Center
- Reclaim area next to dog run for park use

NORTH CLACKAMAS PARK

North Side Planning Ideas
After Public Meeting 1

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OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

General

- Build a storage and bus shelter so that theft of the equipment and vandalism to the busses will stop.
- We need a different address for North Clackamas Park than for Milwaukie Center
- We need a separate water meter for North Clackamas Park north side than for Milwaukie Center – currently what water is used in the north side we pay for.

Parking

- I was recently made aware that the caretaker's cabin/trailer has been removed and that a storage container has been placed near the community garden on the northeast side of the Milwaukie Center. I know of past vandalism problems with the Center's buses as well. I suggest that the area where the caretaker's building used to sit be considered for secure bus parking (either a fenced/gated lot or a bus barn). If a building is built for the buses, either as part of it or adjacent to it should be a storage building for the Milwaukie Center. Currently there are Center items stored on the Stringfield property and the nutrition program also needs on-site storage. The emergency wood program could also be relocated near the new storage/bus parking area and that would free up some space for a small expansion to the parking lot behind the Center.
- I just wanted to throw bus parking into the mix with the park remodel. Right now we park our buses in the gravel by the A-frame.
- Please, we need more parking spaces. The ball games and such use up a lot of spaces.
- Please add more parking to the Senior Center.
- We need more parking spaces for the Sr. Center. Thank you for doing this for us.
- There's no parking for seniors because of the baseball games taking our spots. We have a lot of handicap people that need their space back.
- We need more parking, especially for the Senior Center. Have to walk too far with walkers.
- We need more parking for bingo.
- There is not enough parking at the Milwaukie Center!! Seniors cannot walk too far to get into the facility. It is a disservice not to have adequate parking for our participants.
- I teach evening classes at the Center, and I'm curious as to where my people are supposed to park (after they've paid for classes) in the full parking lot?
- All the activities at the Center need more parking. With the sports events, the spaces get taken up. So don't forget the Center for parking.
- Make more parking spaces designated for the Senior Center parking only. Some of the seniors can't walk all the way from the ball fields!
- We need more parking spaces for the Senior Center.
- We would love to have more parking spaces for the Senior Center.

- We do need more parking spaces, especially handicapped.
- There is much focus on parking, I'd like there to be a push to get Trimet to increase service to the Milwaukie Center in addition to adding parking.
- We'd really like to see the parking issue addressed at the Milwaukie Center Park and park area!
- We need additional parking spots at the Milwaukie Senior Center.
- Please, we need more parking.
- We need more parking for events. It's really hard for the elderly to walk far.

Restrooms

- I would like to see something in the area of 1000 to 1500 sq ft of shop space with overhead garage doors and maybe 400 to 500 sq ft of separate lockable storage space. Electricity at a minimum and a wash out sink would be nice. Also we were looking for an equipment wash area which would meet the City of Milwaukie's requirements. Maybe we could incorporate the whole structure with a public restroom facility somehow on the other side??
- New restrooms are needed

DOGS

Dog Run

- This weekend has been non-stop barking. Can someone let me know what you are doing about it? When we ask people to quiet the dogs it does no good.

NATURAL RESOURCES

General

- Keep the north side as natural as possible without adding additional noisy activities. We have already increased the noise with the ball park and upset the residents that live in the area; I think that we should keep added activities to quiet activities. Including a walking trail is a high priority for me with seating along the way and ample trash cans.
- Milwaukie Center is known for its spectacular "ancient" trees – the beauty of the landscape. Please, please, please do not disgrace us by "building" more ball fields! Walking amongst those trees is a sport too! There are enough ball fields here!

- There is more to recreation than baseball and soccer. You have already defiled the natural beauty of this park in the name of sports. How about leaving what's left alone for the enjoyment of those who still want a "little" bit of nature? Why must we destroy what's left?
- Please no more ballparks. Please leave the remaining trees and park area as is. It is used by many.

Creek/Streams/Wetlands

- Please keep the north end of the park as green as possible. No more development! Restore Kellogg Creek and the watershed for the salmon!
- My phone has been ringing off the hook about Saturday's photo shoot along the banks of Mt. Scott Creek in the west end of North Clackamas Park. The picture below demonstrates the need to fence the buffers in order to prevent vehicle access.

- I took the below photo of a stream-viewing platform last weekend at Metolius Preserve, a gorgeous native landscape receiving lots of TLC and enhancement in the Metolius Watershed on a Forest Service Rd. off Santiam Pass Hwy, about eight miles west of Sisters, OR. The non-profit org guiding it has put three such platforms up against the small stream running through the active site. When you stand all the way to the back by the stream, there is only maybe 8' of bank remaining, and it's sloped down to the Creek, so it's like you're right on top of it, because of course you stand even higher than the top of the bank. The hewn log design might be on the rustic side for NC Park, but many materials can be considered. This feature really adds interest to a trail system that stays out of the buffer, by giving you several places to get up close and personal with the stream.

- I have had an opportunity to study the three Preliminary Concepts prepared by the consultant Alta Planning + Design. I am disappointed in the lack of environmental sensitivity and responsibilities the district has to plan for salmon recovery in the Kellogg Watershed—at least do its part.

  As you know Kellogg-Mt. Scott Creek and its watershed is listed in the 4[d] Rule, Endangered Species Act (ESA) for salmon recovery. To that extent it is incumbent that the district not only meets the basic expectation of the federal government in the use of public funds in environmentally sensitive areas of the community, but to also set an example as to what "environmental planning" really means.

  I see no evidence that the district's planning to date took into consideration the following:

  --The ESA 4[d] Rule pertaining to Salmon Recovery and taking issues
  --The Clean Water Act and Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) TMDL compliance strategies
  --FEMA policy and USCorps Engineer/DSL/ODFW/USF&W policy concerning 404 permitting
  --The Clackamas County Comprehensive Plan and City of Milwaukie Comprehensive Plan
  --Metro's "Nature in Neighborhood" program

  At the very least, there should be evidence that the planning efforts entailed a detailed environmental assessment of the open space corridor and possible affects each concept alternative might have on the environmental factors. Further such studies would normally take into consideration the existing land use of the ENTIRE PARK, along with surrounding uses. It is difficult to consider any plan out of context and without regard of consultation with permitting and consulting agencies. It is my belief that by this time in the planning process, the district would have shared the consultant work, along with the land survey and wetland survey, with key environmental agencies and solicited recommendations in use and design, especially fisheries and habitat disciplines. After all, we are trying to sort out the non-starters that would be typically rejected in view of science-based biological opinion.

  Some of the science-based studies that have caught my attention during my research of fish issues for our urban areas have been:

  --the 1999 Metro Salmon Recovery Study which recommended a MINIMUM 200 foot setback from all proposed development and that this setback be established as habitat to benefit fisheries and wildlife. A closer scrutiny of the study actually suggested setbacks be observed based upon the typical mature height of the tallest native trees that would likely be located along the stream corridor. We know that many native old growth Douglas Firs exceed this height.
  --The 2004 Willamette Subbasin Plan adopted by the Northwest Power and Conservation Council (BPA) as part of the mitigation of impacts from BPA operations on the Columbia River. This plan includes the Kellogg Watershed. According to BPA, the subbasin plan will give context to where mitigation projects should occur and also provide assurance that the most beneficial projects are being undertaken in the right places at the right time to improve conditions for fish and wildlife.
  --The Oregon Plan. This plan is presently under court scrutiny, but does provide general guides to CPR fish in the Portland Metro region. The state is relying heavily on Metro policy.
  --Oregon DEQ TDML (Total Daily Maximum Load—water quality standards) Studies. The most recent study for our urban streams was done for Johnson Creek and Tyron Creek, September 29, 2006. The DEQ has stated that recommendations in this study will apply to all affected urban streams affected by the department's TMDL standards, which includes Kellogg-Mt. Scott watershed waters. Chapter 5: Lower Willamette Subbasin affects the Kellogg watershed. The study includes methodology and basic results and recommendations for Riparian Vegetation "Potential Condition" to be applied to all streams. This study also goes into various topic areas such as water temperature, loading capacity (of pollutants, toxics, etc.) to be applied in general to other Portland area urban streams as part of the 303 (d) parameters.

--FEMA maps and city/county policies concerning development within the floodplain.
--Development of Title 3 and "Nature in Neighborhood" programs under METRO's guidance and acknowledged by state LCDC.

Certainly, these policies are some of the basic policies, but in no way provide the detailed parameters we should consider for use of this park. Those should be established in consultation with the experts within our state and federal agencies. We should try to set an example of how we think the salmon can be successfully CPR'd (Conserve, Protect, Rehabilitate) through park improvements. Certainly, many can agree that there are existing areas within the park that should be ***conserved/preserved*** and human/domestic animal impacts (trespass, especially) prevented where possible. There are areas of the park and activities within the park today that need to be altered to ***protect salmon***. For example, dogs and children cannot be permitted to play in the stream during spawning and rearing periods of the year with salmon present and they should not be permitted to alter the needed natural condition of the corridor which has yet to be determined. And finally, we need to recognize those areas along the fish/wildlife corridor that ***need rehabilitation***, including a reexamination and evaluation of recent recreational improvements including the ballfields and perceived "warm up areas", mowed open space between the fields and the creek, the park maintenance area (south end of park) and children's play area, to name a few.

On any given day when ball tournaments are being held, humans and their pets can be seen by the creek or in it. On non-ball days humans and their pets can be observed along the fish and wildlife corridor up to and in the creek and some cases, humans crossing the creek to recreate on the other side of the creek.

Invasive, non-native species are invading the property, especially along the fish and wildlife corridor.

Without examining the neighborhood character of the area, completing a detailed analysis of the existing and projected conditions along the corridor (inside the park and outside park boundaries on adjoining lands—private and public), we are planning in a vacuum. As of yet there is no written analysis, accompanied by mapping and tests (or references to recognized testing by other agencies).

There has been no analysis of the drainage dynamic—existing and what we want to see in the future. For example, should this area take on more water as has other public areas along the creek have? Should we be developing side channels to protect fish during flood events? Should we create more wetland or hydric habitat? Generally speaking, local agencies have looked to publicly held properties to help mitigate past projects and urban impacts, or help create better habitat that might be not be possible or too expensive on other lands (such as acquiring more lands). This sort of planning could be referred to as promoting environmental stewardship. For years this county, our local communities and Metro have discussed strategies to create open space corridors from the Willamette River to Happy Valley, not only for fish and wildlife, but also humans. Who better than the park district (whose geographic jurisdiction entails almost 100% of the Kellogg Watershed) would be in a position to plan this strategy? How would this property fit into the larger scheme of planning? Has this planning been incorporated into the NCPRD Master Plan and capital improvement planning?

PLANNING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE ENTIRE PARK:
None of the three concepts presented to the public to date represent a viable long term use commitment of the entire park acreage. The NCPRD should reexamine ALL USES in the park, including Senior Center activities (including the parking and bus program), the ball use, group gatherings, dog park use, etc. Absent of a detailed analysis, here's what I recommend:

1. Return all land within the 100 year floodplain back to nature.

[The watershed and Kellogg-Mt. Scott creek corridors are seriously degraded (especially Kellogg Creek above Rusk Road). As much riparian area as possible needs to be provided for fish habitat. And it needs to be located in various areas of the corridor. Although the rehab work in the 3 Creek Nature Area has been exceptional, it is not nearly enough to start replacing the habitat lost to development.]

Except for a small portion of the north area of the park, near the horseshoes, nearly the entire area north and west of the existing paved parking lot on the west side of the senior center is subject to flooding. If you look carefully at the native trees in the area, the ash and oak tree clusters represent the dominate species for the soil and hydric conditions associated with the historic drainage of the area and bottomland character. These 100 year flood habitats need under story plantings and ground cover returned to a native condition. This means that most all site improvements and associated activities should be removed or significantly curtailed:

--the gravel parking area and any proposal parking and or vehicle storage west and north of the existing paved parking for the Senior Center;
--the new tot lot and concrete forming, benches and tables;
--the mowed open areas;
--the dog park;
--the group picnic shelter;
--the old restrooms;
--the maintenance storage area (catchall of tables, equipment, etc.);
--the old highway-animal fencing;
--the caretaker residence and appurtenances;
--all paved trails (existing or planned) and maintenance corridors;
--BBQ pits;
--proposed exercise stations;
--proposed "educational overlooks";
--remove crossings of and culverts in Camas Creek except the recently constructed pedestrian bridges.

[The pedestrian bridges will service any needed emergency maintenance vehicle use (note: the maintenance crossing of Camas Creek immediately adjacent to the Mt. Scott Creek needs to be removed because the Camas Creek creates an estuary of sorts as it enters Mt. Scott Creek and would provide protection to small fish during high water)].

In short a general "no touch" designation should be put on all areas NORTH of the Camas Creek and west of the Senior Center paved parking lot.

2. Enhance ALL areas within at least 200 feet of the creek on the remainder of the park to the desired riparian habitat condition (this includes the maintained area, overlooks/tot lots and mowed fields between the ball fields and Mt. Scott Creek—convert the mowed open space to meadow and additional forested buffer). Remove all paved walks between the ball fields and the creek. Install barriers to prevent humans or discourage humans from entering this 200 foot area.

3. Provide a habitat improvement and long range (10 year phasing) planting plan for the areas north of Camas Creek. Some areas currently containing extensive invasive blackberry vines would remain until plantings mature to take on more of the barrier functions the blackberry vines currently serves. Other invasive grass species would be removed/controlled as soon as possible. Provide a grading and in-stream plan where water areas need improvement to enhance fish and wildlife habitat.Provide a minimum 50 foot buffer setback for ALL areas on the south side of the Camas Creek all the way to the rear of the senior center building and woodpile gazebo.

4. Provide a caretaker residence as a second story addition to the senior center to provide an enhanced view of all areas of the park at a glance.
5. Provide a scheme for casual walking in habitat areas (unpaved with some seating at various locations and possible discreet table locations for picnicking, but no BBQs).
6. For group picnicking needs and shelter, the area north of the senior center might be considered between the Camas Creek wetlands and the building. This would allow more joint use and expanded functions for both indoor and out. Perhaps the building could be modified to provide more direct access from the community room to outdoor gathering spaces. Access could be provided to additional new restrooms within or next to the building. The ballpark restrooms also provide a reasonable facility to serve the park, even during group functions, combined with ball tournaments. There may also be a strong demand for group picnicking/gathering as part of the ball tournament complex.
7. Dog park activities and tot lots/structured play areas are inappropriate within the identified floodplain, areas north of Camas Creek and west of the ball fields (within 200 feet of the creek). In view of this constraint, the remaining locations in the park available for such use would be east of the ballpark, such as where the rose garden is. Also the structured play area would be ideal near the ball fields (between the fields and parking). The rose garden roses could be relocated to the yards around the senior center building.

   [Another option for the dog park would be to acquire or temporarily lease (10 year increments) lands to the east of the park (the church property along Rusk Road). There are lands currently held in a rough field condition with some hydric conditions between the church, its parking lot and the park. This area would allow significant open space for roaming (within a fenced area) and maintenance of weeds. It is clear from observation of the existing dog park that it is too small for the number of users—bare ground and soil erosion is developing. It looks as though the Concept Plans A and C are proposing expanded off leash roaming. Concept B appears to approximate the present size of the run located northwest of the group picnic shelter. Dogs will have adverse impacts on wildlife, including the significant and important bird population in the park. Therefore its removal from the park proper may be the best solution. One note: if the dog park is moved to the adjacent church property, the Oak savannah area immediately east of the Senior Center needs to be preserved in its historic condition. It is believed that this treed setting has never been altered from its original native condition, other than being invaded by non-native plant species, such as blackberry vines.]

   Again, I encourage administration to initiate a more aggressive consulting effort with wildlife and fisheries experts before proceeding. It would be helpful to provide more public access to the site survey and habitat analysis. Copies of this information should be more available to the public.

- Thank you for acknowledging my letter (text above). I'd feel a little better if I knew that NCPRD administration was ACTIVELY consulting and soliciting input right now from DSL, ODFW, DEQ, USF&W, etc.--the fish experts. From what I've heard so far, there hasn't been any. If you have any correspondence on file or have had working sessions with one or more of these agencies, it would be nice to know and also that it be made available to groups and individuals like myself who might like access to it, via the internet.

  Permitting from these agencies at a later date doesn't provide a good framework for planning right now. Futher, user groups might act differently if they knew there were certain environmental constraints that might be imposed upon the property.

  Also, I still feel that the ENTIRE park site needs a thorough review, now that the ballfields have been in partial operation for one season. I am hearing many environmental concerns being expressed, including impacts on the wetlands and creeks; I am not hearing whether the administration is

responding to those concerns. I am becoming very concerned what county and city views are toward use of the 100 floodplain (which in the case of the park covers virtually everything north of Camas Creek and west of the Senior Center). That policy should be reviewed by the BCC and City of Milwaukie City Council as it pertains to salmon CPR federal mandates.

I think with the Metro Bond Proceeds, the NCPRD website could be more substantially upgraded to provide access to the NCPRD "library of material", associated with the properties involved in the bond proceeds. The site survey and wetlands survey should be on the web, as an example. Also, the results of the workshop held in June. Public input should also be on the web.

I personally feel that the NCPRD is understaffed, and perhaps lacks adequate resource training on environmental issues, to seriously address many of the technical environmental issues. A good example of that was the recent excavation activity of the r/r concerns along waterways associated with Mt. Scott Creek and the "3 Creeks Nature Area", which is of interest to the NCPRD as part of that land was purchased by park bonds. I do not believe that NCPRD staff participated in the discussions between the Tsunami group/R/R and county administrators. And, yes, I am aware that part of the bond sale back then was predicated upon the possible construction of playfields north of r/r (roughly north of the K-Mart/Lowes/McFarlands area). Certainly, I think that many realize that the area is probably too environmentally sensitive to accommodate an activity as intense as the ballfields at No. Clack. Park, considering the wildlife and fish needs.

I know you understand that fish can only tolerate so much impact and that other user groups with strong political connections may not always understand or view their activities as an impact on fish. However, fish are certainly a litmus test, demonstrating "man's" impact on its environment here in Clackamas County and more specifically here in the Kellogg Watershed. How the NCPRD manages its holdings and complies with federal policy (concerning SALMON CPR) is certainly an area of conjecture and politics.

I say this with the utmost respect for the employee talent we have today in the NCPRD and am not trying to attack any one individual. However, the NCPRD has been focused primarily on Parks and Rec and not on CPR'ing of natural areas to the benefit of 4(d)-listed fish in the Kellogg Watershed. There will have to be a "watershed" change in the district's focus, values and priorities to realize any significant inroads to the fish's problem today. This criticism is not focused only on NCPRD, but the county as a whole. The Kellogg basin is "sick" today and needs a lot of attention. I'd like to see NCPRD play a lead role, or responsible agency role, for example, in ridding the watershed of the dam at the creek's mouth at the Willamette River. So far, the NCPRD has not acknowledged any role in this "fish need (to remove the dam) in its planning and CIP plan over the next 5 years. I hope this changes because without the dam removal, all our "Nature in Neighborhood" bond spending and planning will not get us very far in getting fish into the upper watershed.

This fish plight didn't happen overnight and neglect among property owners and public agencies played a big role. NCPRD is one of the important partners and stakeholders. I aim to make sure they play a lead role involving their holdings.

Thank you for listening. Should administration choose more environmentally friendly alternatives in its planning over the next few months, you can count on me to participate.

Vegetation

- Create an arboretum with labeled plants

RECREATION

General

- I would like the park treated as a nature preserve. I want no pavement and minimal disruption, such as bark chip nature trails. No lights. No sound. No electric outlets or cook areas. Please respect this special place and community.
- Please consider leaving much of the green space...it is such a beautiful area. Storage area needs to be included in any plan along with the wood pile that is shared with those in need.

Trails

- Make sure that the trails are handicap accessible
- A harder trail would be nice for wheelchair accessibility

Picnicking

- The lack of picnic tables near BBQ stations was brought up at public meetings about north side planning. However, I don't recall comments about the handling of coals from BBQ stations. Evidence that coals are dumped at the base of trees can be found throughout the north side of the park. I'm wondering if a small metal container could be attached to the BBQ stations for the purpose of holding coals when cleaning out the stations.
- New, updated picnic structures would be nice.

Playground

- Adding a wall around the play structure seems like a good safety measure.

Other Recreational Amenities

- Last but not least, my highest concern is that we are able to keep the fire wood shelter and the community garden with the gazebo. Enhancing these with a greenhouse and a covered area to be able to cut wood in inclement weather would be an added bonus.
- A compost demonstration area would be a wonderful teaching tool for the community & schools. Maintained by the master gardeners, we could present 4-5 different ways of composting (including worms) using plant material generated by the gardens at Springfield Neighborhood Park!

CONCEPT PLANS

- Just reviewed the three concepts and my wife and I are very much in favor of concept B. That looks like a very environmentally friendly park.
- Personally, if I had a vote, it would be for Concept "C". More play area in a "park" just seems to be most natural.
- Thank you for the opportunity to review these. Everything that's shown in the three concepts appears to be doable. At this conceptual stage, however, that doesn't mean very much since a lot will depend upon the details. With that said, we offer the following comments for NCPRD consideration.
    - Parks are not listed on our Zoning Code's parking table. Consequently, the addition or removal of parking spaces will need to be supported by traffic/parking analysis similar to what was done for the south side of the park.
    - Delineation of the wetland area around Camas Creek may require modifications to the extent/location of the proposed new parking lot and dog park area in Concept B.
    - New creek crossings (and even some of the existing ones) will be carefully scrutinized and may require Army Corps approval.
- I was interested to see what the consultants came up with, and I think they have some good ideas. The following are some of my thoughts.
    - Of course, I would prefer to see the off leash dog area eliminated, but since that won't happen until another place is found, I prefer the idea "B" where the area is moved to the NE corner of the park. If the NE corner doesn't work, then having the dog area moved to the east up against the maintenance yard area with the west fence moved to the east a corresponding distance. This would put the dog area closer to parking and restrooms.
    - We don't like to see more parking area added, but expanding the lot in front of the Milwaukie Center would probably be preferable than crossing Camas Creek and taking out the large group picnic shelter.
    - Could some of the Handicapped parking spaces be designated so they could be used for non-handicapped parking when the Milwaukie Center is closed?
    - Be sure to get signage up for excess parking at the church.
    - If the exercise stations are to be part of the plan, we would like to see three or four grouped together at several spots on the loop trail.
    - We like the idea of a climbing structure placed in the vicinity of the playground. The pyramid shaped cable structure in front of the Waldorf School in Milwaukie seems to get a lot of use.
    - Keep the picnic areas under the trees to the east and leave the west area for open space. I like the idea of a wild flower or grass meadow.
    - The consultants need to provide more information about the type of meadows that could be installed and give us an idea on how they are maintained. This should bring good wildlife habitat to the park for insects, butterflies, small mammals and birds.

- I like the concept of restoring the wetland area behind the "Wetland Window" sculpture. That area is cut off from the rest of the Park and that would be a good use for it. Be sure the walkway on the West side of the parking at the center gets into the plan.
- Could the firewood space be moved over to the area where the maintenance facility will be and the area it now occupies behind the Milwaukie Center be used for secure bus parking or additional community garden space?
- Were the consultants going to provide some suggestions on wetland education sign content and placement?
- On another subject, signs have now been posted on the access road south of the ball diamonds to the affect that there is no entry except for authorized vehicles only. A similar sign should be posted at the chain between the picnic shelter and the rest rooms.

- I like concept B because it keeps the dogs separate from the kids and picnic areas.
- Concept B is great because of the additional parking it provides.
- I like having the picnic areas by the playground, like concept B shows.
- I don't like the amount of fencing all over the park. It will require lots of maintenance, and I would rather see native vegetation used to discourage people from entering the buffer zone.
- I like the creek crossing to the northeast corner of the park and the enhancement behind the Milwaukie Center shown in concept B.
- I like having the dog park behind the Milwaukie Center because it is farther away from neighbors and has more trees to buffer sound (concept B). It also opens up the west side of the park.
- Do the exercise stations actually get used?
- The Milwaukie Center's walking program, which has been very successful, could add the exercise stations to their program.
- I like concept B.
- I like moving the dog run to a separate area near parking. This minimizes having dogs run through the other areas of the park off-leash on their way to the dog run.
- I like having more parking.
- I like the ideas of having wildflowers and a meadow on the west end of the park.
- Concept A is great.
- I don't like the exercise stations – they don't get used.
- Get rid of one of the three bridges. I like the maintenance bridge shown, as well as the bridge connecting to the playground area. That is enough bridges.
- Would like to see even more of the small covered picnic areas included.
- I like the safer parking area on concept B.
- I like concept B, but I don't like the placement of the dog run.
- The dog run in concept B cuts trail length (need off-pavement running area). It cuts trail length by 20%. Spread out exercise trails. Option A cuts parking – a mistake.
- I like having the dog run behind the Center.

- Keep the parking in concept B.
- Need another Camas Creek crossing – 2 small and one large, running from Milwaukie Center parking lot.
- Looks like parking on concepts is straight. We need to keep angled parking as it's easier for the senior drivers that visit the center.
- I like plan B, but with exercise stations distributed like in plan A.
- Having the dog run close to the parking lot is great, and it keeps dogs in one area instead of having them run across the people's recreation area to get to the dog run.
- I like the enhancement of the area between the Milwaukie Center and Camas Creek.
- Keep trail loop large by looping around the area north of the center.
- I like concept B, but with the off-leash area in concept A. The off-leash area in B can be replaced with the picnic shelter and horseshoe pits.
- Remove bridge crossing just north of the Milwaukie Center.
- I like concept B, but there should be even more parking, and smaller picnic shelters.
- Only B has enough additional parking. If you improve the park, more people will come. Needs 1 larges and at least 2 small group picnic shelters for renting, as well as parking for buses at the Milwaukie Center. I also prefer the dog run where it is on concept C, and the exercise stations more spread out.
- Pathway from Milwaukie Center to north side of park should be eliminated.
- I like both A and C concept plans.
- I prefer concept B, and particularly like the location of the off-leash dog area in this concept.
- I like concept B the best because of the added parking. I would also like to see a water feature for kids and maybe easier access to picnic areas from the parking area.
- I prefer concept B because it makes the most sense. There is allowance for additional parking. Would also like more faucets for picnic or other uses.
- Here are my thoughts:
    - I am excited about a walking path around the north side of the park with exercise stations. I think the idea of 3 exercise stations (a kiosk) per "stop" (where there is a bench also?) would be more beneficial than a solo exercise station or than a large group of exercise stations.
    - I don't like part of the path configuration in Concept B because it walks between a dog run and a parking lot (ugh).
    - Delete the path crossing the swale immediately to the north of Milwaukie Center.
    - The path on the West side needs to be shown to connect with the South side path – it currently doesn't in any of the concepts, and is widely used.
    - Immediately outside the Camas and Dogwood Rooms, north of Milwaukie Center, there is a small open area that is basically weeds which are mowed by Parks maintenance. There is no irrigation or other amenities. It would be nice if the north side planning included improvements to that area which move into wetland swale plantings of "Camas Creek".

- I really like the idea of the dog run moved a little to the east of where it is now as in Concept but not immediately due north of Milwaukie Center. That is problematic for folks choosing to park in the staff and MOW parking lot to let their dogs out to get to the off-leash area. Also that shortens the walking path so much and makes it less aesthetically pleasing.
- Picnickers like having a sand volleyball court here – is that going to be placed somewhere?
- I really like the parking improvements in concept B and hope the new parking area will be designated one-way with angled-in parking.
- Master Gardeners would like to have a green house near to the Milwaukie Center and I support that concept however I do not want it to take over any of the existing community garden or the open "grass" area outside the Camas and Dogwood Rooms. That open area is used for receptions when the Camas and Dogwood Rooms are rented. Perhaps a greenhouse can go where "big green" storage container is now but where would storage go then?
- Please keep the Emergency Firewood service where it is.
- Group picnic areas – perhaps retain the large A Frame as the one big one and erect two or three smaller ones for 20-30 people picnics. I like the idea of having e closer to the kids play area.
- YES! Add natural climbing "rocks" to the play area!!!!
- Bus parking that is "secure"? (four busses)
- Take the pond off of the plans (leave it a secret from the public), use it for teaching, learning and a wildlife refuge.

NORTH CLACKAMAS PARK

North Side Planning Ideas
Meeting 2 and After

Sources:

- District Advisory Board
- North Clackamas Park Stewardship Committee
- Comment cards returned by community
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- **Dog Park**
  - Not one thing on your plan addresses the dog noise problem for the park? When can we expect this to be addressed? Certainly with all the money you will be spending there is something that can be done besides expanding the size of the run. Unlike the baseball noise which is done for the year the dogs are 365 days a year. Initially we were told the run would be moved to another location. Has this idea been abandoned, and if so why?
  - One of the original plans called for tree planting to help with dog noise. Do you realize the homes on the north side of the park sit above the trees like a sitting on the edge of a bowl and the noise radiates into our homes. I offer up my deck as a viewing point for your group to see what we have to deal with.
  - Will the dog run be a pay for use area to help with the costs?
  - We appreciate the dog park moving further east – closer to where people park with their dogs. Also, as we live above the current dog park perhaps the further east would be to our advantage – listening to the dog noise.
  - For the dog park I would like to see you lengthen to the west and narrow the southern edge to make room for the horseshoe area there.
  - Off leash dog area should be eliminated- moved to district land south of Aquatic Park
  - Until which time off leash hours are put in pace for dogs? I will not support either north Clackamas Park or the North Clackamas parks and recreation district. In addition, as a resident of this area since 1968, I will willingly oppose their stated goals and objective. You have created a baseball park!
  - I appreciate and am a frequent dog park citizen. I would like to see improvements, and useful guidelines would really help, such as: no puppies under 3 months old; all dogs should be vaccinated and de-wormed. Young children should be discouraged in the big dog park, smoking should be discouraged, anxious and aggressive dogs not allowed. Thank you.
  - I would really like to see enforcement of off-leash rules at the park. It is a liability for the County. What if someone gets bit? It would be nice to have a caretaker that enforces these rules.
  - Find a more suitable location for a dog park!
  - Dog run was put in with no public or neighbor input – now there is no option to remove.
  - Who will enforce rules? Dogs? Drinking? Parking? Fights? Etc. Without enforcement problems will continue.

- **Communication**
  - I also went online this am and the old plans are still there, can you tell me when this will be updated?
  - Tuesday I got home from work at 4:30PM and the dog barking was continuous until 7:30PM. We have called your number repeated times and nothing happens, so is their a number we can call to get some action and we will not get a voicemail?

- From the tone of the meeting it appears your decisions will be based on those who attend the meetings. I travel frequently and can not attend and many other s just do not attend, how will this be addressed so our comments are heard?

- **Access to Park**
  - The plan calls for a second access gate and path from the bridge so the folks from the neighborhood can walk down. Good for the neighborhood, but what about the additional parking this will cause in the neighborhood and the dogs off leash and allowed to relieve themselves in our yards? This is a problem.
  - Please connect peripheral walking path with ball park peripheral path at parks west end, next to Mt. Scott Creek.
  - Access to the park is depicted from the North, directly north of the Milwaukie Center/ MT Scott Creek. Even though we live in the housing area N. of the depicted access, we know nothing of this route- we always walk to the park via the MT Scott Creek bridge farther to the west. How about developing that access path and provide a bridge crossing of Mt Scott Creek. Also, we always use the Camas Creek (H) crossing and do not want it removed. Please reconsider.
  - The bridge to the Casa del Rey neighborhood is a nice access point. I really enjoy having it there, but I would like to see the gate closed when the park is closed. It has been open since the caretaker retired.
  - I've attached a picture of Mt Scott Creek from the winter of 2005 to provide a visual for planning purposes. At high water boots are required to enter North Clackamas Park from the pedestrian gate to Casa del Rey.

- **Maintenance**
  - Not sure if benches and garbage cans are along the path but they should be. This would be another opportunity for sponsorship
  - Would like to see the paths paved as I have to use a cane to get around and a soft surface would be difficult.
  - Issue of succession planting to begin replacing old trees
  - Would like to see you move the small shelter to where the horseshoe area is now.
  - Use of fences should be minimized, additional parking for north side is very important
  - I used to walk a lot at Glendoveer Golf Course on the path. The wood chips are easier on the joints but I vote for that, rather than asphalt, only if you really think there would be the on-going funding to maintain them. Otherwise just asphalt it. Also, they put exercise stations along the Glendoveer and they were rarely used! I would be willing to volunteer in any way I can to assist in this project with planning or implementation. Thank you for the survey.
  - EFG putting these 3 together makes it easier to take care of, and reduces the possibility of vandalism. Walking path- it is much easier for senior citizens to walk on the hard flat surface, especially if they use a walker. Having 2 picnic shelters gives more opportunity for use and revenue.
  - Privacy of homes and other side of creek need to be respected. Use plants along fence in both concepts.
  - No fence north of Milwaukie center.
  - Maintenance- which is less vandalism? Walking path- long lasting, best maintenance. Restroom- kids need close to play area. Please! Keep this a park and not a dog run! Benches and tables throughout the park for reading, resting, and quiet chats.
  - Fencing or cyclone fencing is needed on the north property boundary of the park, just north of Mt. Scott Creek. Existing fencing has deteriorated.
  - Any changes to the Milwaukie Center parking lot and any additional parking lot to the northwest should have angled-in parking not straight-in.
  - I encourage support of the Master Gardener's greenhouse concept near the community garden.
  - Retain the wood program and community garden where they are.
  - We have great need for temp-controlled, lighted storage for the Milwaukie Center Nutrition Program.
  - The Milwaukie Center busses need safe parking areas.
  - We would love to have an accessible and complete walking path on the north side.
  - It would be great if they provided aesthetic improvements to the "lawn" area (actually it is just non-irrigated mowed weeds) immediately north of the Milwaukie Center and into the Camas Creek swale.
  - I do not recommend placing the Maintenance/Storage building at the location shown in Concept B. As shown in the first photo the building would sit in the water sheet flow that comes from the property to the east. The second photo shows the high water that comes up to the fence line of the park. It appears to locating the building here would also require removal of oak trees behind the Milwaukie Center. I support keeping all existing oak trees. They are slow growing and the

oak trees in the area behind the Milwaukie Center are younger than others in the park and represent one of the few succession stands of oak trees. This location would also require introducing infrastructure into a new area of the park. I support placing the new Maintenance/Storage building near existing infrastructure.

- **General**
  - Keep NCP as natural as possible. Add wildflowers. Kudos to Michelle et al who are involved in the north side planning. WELL DONE!
  - Thank you for including my thoughts in your plans. I look forward to the exciting changes!
  - In general I hate this whole development at the park. I was totally against the ball fields and I really do not like the development of the natural areas. I am involved to try and limit the damage that has already been done to the park.
  - No mention of interpretive signs: We need on the ball field side, just past the art thing, to explain about wetlands and buffers. Maybe one to explain the bioswales. That leaves us about 8 more to locate once we get the design. One by each creek overlook, if we get 2 of those.
  - Please leave us some open space. Concept B does that some.
  - We really like what you have done so far! It increases park use by so much. We live directly behind the church open space and we can hear the sounds of baseball as well. However, we regard it as a "sound of summer" and of young people and their parents having healthy, wholesome fun. We are sorry that you have had complaints about this – could it be that they have forgotten what is was like when they had children?
  - NCPRD staff: doing outstanding work on this project!
  - Concept B leaves more open space at west end for exercise loop, good for disc toss. How about a disc-golf course? It would be much appreciated by county and area residents.
  - Please don't put horseshoes by playground, kids run through and get hit.
  - You are doing a great job. Don't forget to think of "keep cost" on items like "greenhouse". Look at the ROI. The park is great and it will be even better.
  - Get rid of the dog park and put in a nice big soccer field!! Maybe some of the neighbors that complain about dogs barking can complain about how the kids kicking a ball at 8am on a Saturday wake them up from their beauty sleep!!
  - Remove ball fields and restore parks to open area!
  - As part of north side planning, I've attached two pictures showing wet weather conditions at the north side play area following mid- winter rains. I am hoping enhanced corrections can be made to the play area drain line that daylights in the 50-foot buffer and flows into Camas Creek.

- Provide area for wild flowers and native schrubs along the walking paths with shaded benches every few hundred feet.
- Provide irrigation where it is necessary to maintain plantings.
- Biodiversity of the planting will provide better food opportunities for wildlife.
- The pristine quality of the creek should be a major priority.
- Please put some trees in for colorful fall foliage!
- Using concept B in general and include wild flower meadow west of dog run. See item 4 – repair and maintain chain link fence along the south bank of Mt. Scott Creek.
- It is a good thing to keep the largest picnic shelter close to the parking area. It looks like both concepts are showing this now.
- We would like to see more small picnic shelters scattered throughout the park, not just the large shelters close to the parking area.
- Milwaukie Center busses need parking area
- We will need a security fence like the south side to keep park users out of creek and our yards.
- We need a skate park, not a new dog park or play area. Milwaukie is the only city in the county without one.
- It no longer is a park for the community. Why not make the whole park into a baseball park? Since that's what it looks like, not a community park as it should be. Baseball thinks they own the place....

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North Side Planning Ideas
From Meeting #3 and on

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- Letters from community

- **Dog Park**
  - My husband and I live in Milwaukie, and do lots of walking with our small dog. We are so happy to live close to NCP. The many improvements have been wonderful. This summer the park has been busy with many people enjoying the nice ball fields and walking paths. Also the nice bathrooms and drinking fountains have been great additions. We have talked to people with small dogs that are afraid to put their little ones in the off leash dog area with larger dogs. I'm sure most of the dogs are friendly, but the larger dogs could possibly hurt the smaller ones in play. There are two dog parks on the west side that have divided the area with a simple wire fence. The pet play area at NCP is large enough to have even a small portion of the area for smaller dogs. Our little dog loves to play with dogs her own size and it would be a nice addition. The cost should be fairly low, as there already are two different entrances into the play area.
  - This is exciting to know that the off leash area may be divided, and happen. I would prefer and area for just small dogs and one for large dogs. Even a large passive dog could play too hard for a small dog. Also, I would hope any aggressive dogs wouldn't be in the area at all!
  - Move tables away from entrance to reduce dog gathering by the gates. Space the tables around the area and maybe set them on small concrete pads. Make sure tables are very durable.
  - Can we add small shelters over these tables? They should be open on all sides for visibility. This lets different groups set apart and again keeps dogs from grouping too closely.
  - The ground needs to be improved (leveled so that there are not stagnant pools, and have concrete and other items removed for safety). That being said, it would be nice to see a small hill or other structure developed that would allow the dogs to play on and around.
  - We need a bulletin board at the edge of the parking lot on the way to the dog park area to keep all park users up to date.
  - Can we add a dog rinsing station? The dogs get so muddy.

- **Access to Park**
  - New Parking entrance configuration – There is significant concern from our board about the current configuration of the entrance to the new parking lot north of the Milwaukie Center's current parking lot. The recommended entrance is a "straight shot" going right in front of the Milwaukie Center's front door. It can easily become a raceway. Older adults and people with disabilities who park in the Milwaukie Center parking lot and walk across it to access the front entry will be charged with dodging many more cars and potentially faster moving cars. This is a substantial safety concern. We urge you to reconsider the entrance to construct it more like the current entrance to the gravel area in front of the A-frame which would then require people

to drive slowly around the Milwaukie Center parking lot curve and then turn again into the new parking area.

- **Maintenance**
  - I'm writing to voice my opposition to the current location of the maintenance building on the east edge of the park and the paved trail running right through the only open area in the oak grove north of the Milwaukie Center as shown in the concept plan map displayed at the Oct. 24th meeting about the north side planning for NCP. According to the documents provided at the meeting, the building location experiences poor drainage and occasional surface flow from a wetland area east of the park boundary into Camas Creek. It makes more sense to me to place the building closer to the small dog run and the pad provided for the park caretaker. As the dog run is currently larger than average, a small reduction in space on the side reserved for small dogs would easily allow space for both the maintenance building and the caretaker. Putting those two facilities together would reduce the area paved (or the area under gravel) in the park. With the maintenance building not on the east edge of the park, the new trail could be re-routed so it goes to the east of the open area in the oak grove.
  - Parks Maintenance and Milwaukie Center storage facility and entrance road – C/CAB members are concerned that the entrance road to a storage facility not interfere with parking in the back of the Milwaukie Center and not displace the Emergency Firewood Program. Additionally, we want to ensure that adequate space is available for secure parking of the four busses used by the Milwaukie Center within the storage facility compound.
  - The Emergency Firewood Program is the only one in the tri-county area and an important community resource. It needs adequate space, to be secure and yet easy to access for staff, volunteers and users.
  - I do not like the idea of removing the chain link fencing along the north border of the park. I want to have some division of park property from my back yard. We don't want to look out and see strangers sitting on my deck!

- **General**
  - Please increase the north side buffers in line with the comments from John Van Staveren, PHS. I agree with him
  - Could you turn the direction of the horse shoe throwing from north/south to east/west? That way, the horseshoes wouldn't be intimidating to folks going into and out of the dog park. May not be an issue, couldn't tell how far they were.
  - We went Sunday to the Happy Valley Park. Wow! What a great park. Made me sad to see how their ball fields are inserted so seamlessly into that park, leaving such a nice open feel. My heart is still so bruised by such a brutal installation in our park. It still looks like a prison to me, not to mention the intense noise.

- They have several places where people and dogs can actually get down to the creek, even with the boardwalk and such. It's a very focused, funneled system, and seems to be working well. One is where the duck pond is located, on the south side. I'd still like to see such and entry point for us in Mt. Scott Creek. If we don't do this, folks will find a way and it may not be where we want them to go.
- Overall, the plan for the north side of the park looks good. Great graphics! My only concern is the number of wetland/stream crossings (and whether or not all of them can be justified) and the proximity of the parking lot to the resource area. Do you know yet what the plan is for managing storm water runoff from the new parking lot? Also, unless there is a need to have the path inside the resource buffer, it would be better to keep it outside the buffer. The orange dashed line is the 100-year flood line and the bold red dashed line is the resource buffer. The only map symbol I couldn't identify is the light red dashed line and the area between that and the bold red dashed line that's been called out in orange.
- I support the consultant's recommendation for a 75-foot buffer along Mt. Scott Creek. Since his scientific evidence indicates the need for this amount of buffer to return Mt. Scott Creek to health I support establishing the recommended amount of buffer even if it means relocating other features in the park.
- I think you need to minimize. The park is already overdone. Open space is what a "park" is about. Milwaukie already has enough ball fields and playgrounds. Natural space to enjoy and relax in. That is what we need to preserve.