

RIVERFRONT TASK FORCE

10722 SE Main Street, Milwaukie, OR 97222

Chair: Dave Green

Vice Chair: Gary Klein

Members: Mike Stacey, Roger Thompson, Sherri Dow

Staff Liaison: Mitch Nieman

DRAFT MINUTES

March 23, 2015 | Meeting Start Time: 6:30 p.m.

Present: Task Force Members Klein, Stacey, and Dow; and city staff Mitch Nieman

Absent: Task Force Members Thompson and Green

Guest: None

Minute Approval: Member Dow made a motion to approve February 2015 minutes. Member Stacey seconded. Motion passed unanimously to approve February 2015 minutes.

Member Attendance: Nieman reminded Members that Thompson had missed several meetings and that Task Force bylaws require regular attendance, or an excused absence, to maintain membership. Dow asked Nieman to reach out to Thompson to inquire if he was still interested in serving on the Task Force.

Phase II Grand Opening: Nieman informed Members that the grand opening ceremony will be held from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on May 1. Nieman stated that Chair Green would have a speaking role should he so desire. Nieman also stated that Stacey would be able to perform a ceremonious launch of his boat on the boat ramp to demonstrate usage. Nieman reported that permits were tentatively secured from ODOT and that onsite construction was still underway. Klein asked about the "Welcome to Milwaukie" sign and asked when it was planned to be reinstalled. Nieman offered to reach out to the engineering department to inquire about it.

Phase II Bench Donation: Nieman informed Members that he received a request from a member of the community to purchase a bench in honor of his family. Nieman asked Members where they preferred the bench to be located. Members Dow and Klein suggested that Nieman ask the donor where he would like to have it installed and the Task Force could evaluate his proposed location as a first step in the process. Dow asked if there was a naming book that identified park elements which could be purchased and donated by members of the community or by corporate sponsors. Klein stated that he remembered there being a naming book in the origination of Phase I. Nieman said he'd research it.

Phase III Next Steps/Capital Campaign: Member Dow asked if any grants were available for Phase III and/or if Phase III could be broken into multiple phases. Nieman stated that grants may be available, but matching funds weren't identified. Klein and Stacey asked if there was a plan regarding geese waste. Nieman said alternatives were being studied, but no plan has been approved. Dow indicated that geese were prevalent because there was grass and when there's grass, there will be geese.

Next Meeting: Nieman informed the group that the next meeting will be held on April 20 at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.