



City of Covington Parks & Recreation Commission Minutes

June 18, 2014
6:00 PM

City of Covington Maintenance Shop

CALL TO ORDER Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.
ROLL CALL Laura Morrissey, Steve Pand, Dave Aldous, Troy McIntyre, William Pand
Excused Absence: Conni Elliott, Liz Fast
Unexcused Absence: NA
CITY STAFF PRESENT Scott Thomas, Parks and Recreation Director, Angie Feser (Parks Planner), Ross Junkin, Maintenance Supervisor, Jesse Dalton, Maintenance Worker

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Agenda was approved as submitted.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. The May minutes were unavailable for approval.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bryan Higgins reported on a public meeting of Suncrest neighborhood members and BPA regarding parcels located under the BPA lines in the Suncrest Development that is common area, jointly owned by all Suncrest home owners. There was discussion regarding ownership, BPA lack of easement and future use of parcels. Bryan reported there is a future site clean-up being planned, discussions of forming an HOA and possible uses of parcels, including a park site.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Arbor Day Celebration Review** – Laura Morrissey reported on the Arbor Day Celebration held April 21, 2014 at Jenkins Creek Elementary. Four trees were planted in the school's entry plaza, Angie Feser gave a presentation about trees and the children were each given a tree seedling to take home and plant.
2. **Capital and Operating Budget Request** – City process is starting and Scott asked for any requests from the Commission. The support for continuation of the Parks Planner position was reiterated by Commission members. Angie distributed the Council adopted Parks Capital Facilities Plan.
3. **Pipe Lake Parcels** – Angie presented information about three parcels providing access to Pipe Lake available for acquisition. The Commission recommended leaving Pipe Lake Access project on the current CIP list, but not actively pursuing the acquisition of these parcels at this time due to property limitations and limited city resources.
4. **Cedar Creek Park** – Scott presented the background of Cedar Creek Park and the possible opportunity to exchange this property with King County. There are three other park properties Covington and King County are discussing and Scott described each. Staff is requesting feedback from the Commission at the next meeting regarding prioritization of the three options.
5. **Park Tour Plan** – Commissioners and city staff visited Covington Community and Jenkins Creek Parks and Ross and Jesse discussed maintenance activities at each site.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

- Angie shared there are opportunities for Commissioners to be present at the City booth during Covington Days for a shift on Sunday, July 20th from 12:00 – 2:00. There will be a fun activity planned for kids and Commissioners will have a chance to talk with the public.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:15 PM and staff and Commissioners went on the Parks

Maintenance Tour.

Respectfully submitted,
Angie Feser
Parks Planner