City of Covington
Parks & Recreation Commission Minutes
March 18, 2015

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

Chair Laura Morrissey, Vice Chair Bryan Higgins, Steve Pand, Conni Elliott, Troy McIntyre, George Tomalik, Lisa Knapton

The Agenda was approved as submitted.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA
1. The February meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

CONTINUED BUSINESS
There was no continued business.

NEW BUSINESS
1. City Manager Discussion – City Manager Regan Bolli spoke with the CM and discussed some of the issues affecting the Parks & Recreation Commission. He discussed Proposition 1 (Transportation Benefit District) with the CM.

2. SoCo Acquisition Status – Angie reviewed the 3 properties that make up what would be called SoCo Park, the 3 parcels across from Covington Elementary. There are 2 grant awards available that could be used for the purchase of that parcel. The CM discussed the potential uses of these parcels.

3. Park Impact Fees Study Update – Angie continues to work on revisions for the City code about collecting and implementing park impact fees.

4. PROS Plan Update – The PROS plan consultant contract is going before City Council for approval next Tuesday, March 24. There will be a number of community involvement events for input.

5. Arbor Day Celebration – Angie will be working with Jenkins Creek Elementary again this year to do some tree planting in Jenkins Creek Park. They will plant trees in natural areas of the parks and the students will be given seedlings to take home and plant. The schedule is April 17.

6. PRePAC Update – The City Council has expressed an interest in forming a PRePAC by June to identify funding strategies for implementing the desires expressed in the Pros Plan. The CM talked about funding strategies for Covington and the larger region.

GOOD OF THE ORDER
• CM McIntyre asked about the status of the Seahorse sculpture and the possibility of purchasing it. Angie stated that we can purchase it for $12K. The CM agreed that is a very reasonable purchase price.

With no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Conni Elliott
Secretary, Parks and Recreation Commission