



Washington County Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Minutes

Date: Thursday, March 18, 2021

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Online Zoom meeting

Members Present: Megan McMillan, Brad Bittel, Kevin Zuercher

Members Absent: Heather Brown

Public Present: Mahesh Udata

Staff Present: Carl Switzer

Item 1: Call to Order, Introductions, Sign-in

- Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. PRAB and staff introductions followed.

Item 2: Public Comments

- Mahesh Udata, candidate for a PRAB seat, introduced himself and expressed his continued interest in serving on the board.

Item 3: Approval of Minutes

- January 2021 minutes approved.

Item 4: Operations Report

- Recruitments
 - PRAB learned about upcoming recruitments for seasonal General Service Aides and Park Ranger
- Operations and Maintenance updates
 - PRAB discussed ongoing operations and maintenance projects at Scoggins Valley Park. They also viewed pictures of the new accessible asphalt path from the parking lot to the restroom, kiosk, and accessible table at Elks Recreation Area.

Item 5: Old business

- Staff updated the PRAB about new appointments. Staff will present the recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners at their April 6, 2021 work session and then for appointment at their April 20, 2021 business meeting. If appointed, new members will be seated before the May 2021 PRAB meeting.

Item 6: New Business

- Discussion of future capital improvement planning at Scoggins Valley Park and Eagle Landing Park. PRAB will participate in development of the campground feasibility study.
- PRAB reviewed the new Parks newsletter. PRAB asked if there was a need for printing of hard copies, and ability to be translated into multiple languages. Staff is working on a long-term strategy to provide a web version where the public would be able to use google translate and read it in multiple languages.

Item 7: PRAB Issues/Discussion

- PRAB discussed continuing interest in a 'pump track' (a bicycle skills facility). Gateway Green Project in Portland was provided as an example of a good model for such a facility.

Item 8: Meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Next Meeting: May 20, 2021