MINUTES
KEIZER CITY COUNCIL/PARKS ADVISORY BOARD
WORK SESSION
Monday, September 12, 2016
Keizer Rapids Park
Keizer, Oregon

CALL TO ORDER The Work Session was called to order at 5:50 at the Chalmers-Jones Park gazebo. The following were present:

Councilors:	**Parks Advisory Board:**	**Absent:**
Cathy Clark, Mayor	Richard Walsh	Kim Freeman, Councilor
Roland Herrera	Clint Holland	Donna Bradley, Parks Board
Mark Caillier	Dylan Juran	
Amy Ryan	Jim Taylor	**Staff Present:**
Bruce Anderson	David Louden	Robert Johnson, Parks
Marlene Parsons	Scott Klug	Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder
	J.T. Hager	
	Matt Lawyer	

CHALMERS-JONES PARK

Participants viewed the Skate Park noting areas in need of repair due to cracking and the need for resurfacing. Parks & Facilities Division Manager Robert Johnson explained that it would take $25,000 to resurface the park. $5,000 was set aside as part of a matching grant but that has now been rolled back into the grant program because the recipients of the grant decided not to pursue the project. The resurfacing has been on the prioritized list along with parking lot paving and a new roof for the gazebo.

Discussion followed regarding prioritization, safety, liability, and patching and repair options. Mr. Johnson also provided information on the splash park operations.

CLAGGETT CREEK PARK

Mr. Johnson pointed out large holes in the parking lot noting that the lot is used by park users, contractors and refuse trucks. The heavier vehicles take a toll. He noted that patches are not staying in the holes so the lot needs major renovation. Because this repair has been postponed the cost of repair has doubled.

He pointed out the new roof on the picnic shelter noting that the shelter is heavily used with as many as 6 barbeques each weekend. The swings are in constant use as well. Mr. Johnson pointed out tree trimming that had been done in the picnic area to let in more light and open up the area. He suggested that similar trimming be done in

other areas of the park. He also noted that the old valves and heads of the sprinkler system need to be replaced.

Participants walked to the basketball court and discussed the need of repair. Mr. Johnson explained that it should be dug out with concrete poured and a tennis court surface put over that. Right now it is 2 half courts. It would be best when repairing it to make it a full court so that it could accommodate multiple sports. The cost would be $50,000.

Discussion followed regarding establishing an 'adopt-a-park' program and getting community groups or businesses involved in restoring, maintaining, and taking ownership of area parks.

BEN MILLER PARK

Mr. Johnson explained that this park is heavily used by middle schoolers so there is always a problem with graffiti, garbage and vandalism.

Councilor Caillier explained that the Claggett Creek Watershed Council has planted plants along the creek to keep people out of that area but beavers are destroying some of the trees.

It was noted that the trees in this park needed to be limbed up and deadwood removed.

KEIZER LITTLE LEAGUE PARK

Clint Holland reviewed work that had been done on the park and plans to bring in tournaments and get team sponsors. He thanked Rasmussen for donating fertilizer for the fields this year and explained that the Rotary had given Keizer Little League a $50,000 grant for replacing fences, renewing and lighting the fields, and making the walkway between the fields handicapped accessible. He noted that if tournaments are booked in the fields and concessions sales go up, then income from those items will help maintain the fields at a higher level than in the past.

It was noted that the concession stand was in need of a new roof and that various items of equipment were needed.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting concluded at Keizer Little League Park at 7:30 p.m.

APPROVED:

Cathy Clark
Mayor – Cathy Clark

Debbie Lockhart
Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councilor #1 – Mark Caillier

Councilor #4 – Roland Herrera

~ Absent ~

Councilor #2 – Kim Freeman

Councilor #5 – Amy Ryan

Councilor #3 – Marlene Parsons

Councilor #6 – Bruce Anderson

Minutes approved: October 3, 2016