



**WALLACE HOUSE TASK FORCE
MINUTES**

**Tuesday, September 6, 2006
6:00 p.m. Keizer City Hall
Conference Room A**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Moir called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present

Councilor Jacque Moir, Chair
Vickie Hilgemann, Vice Chair
Darrell Monk
Kathie Beach
Jeanne Bond-Esser

Staff Present

Absent:

Councilor David McKane
Butch Dunn
Terry Witham, Parks Staff

Also present

Bill and Terry Gill
Dennis and Tommie Fast

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The minutes of the August 15, 2006, meeting were approved.

4. PUBLIC TESTIMONY

- Bill and Terry Gill and Dennis and Tommie Fast described potential problems with a 'disconnected' parking area north of the Fast home as well as issues associated with clearing the lower bench "island" such as high water, debris, illegal activity, and homeless people.
- The Gills and Fasts requested their e-mail addresses be added to the Parks Board notification list.

5. DISCUSSION ITEMS

➤ **Follow-up on Recommendations to Parks Board/City Council ~**

○ **Dr. Brauner:**

- Darrell reported that he met with Dr. Brauner on August 21, 2006. Dr. Brauner is intending to conduct a dig at Rivers Edge Park in October. He has obtained permits from SHPO (State Historic Preservation Office) and is the process of obtaining permits from the City of Keizer. Dr. Brauner is not requesting a stipend, so we will be paying expenses.

- **Neighborhood Involvement ~**
 - Chair Moir and Vice Chair Hilgemann reported on the interviews with immediate neighbors. Responses varied from strong support for cleaning up the area and limited development to strong opposition to any activity.
- 6. **Recommendation to be forwarded to Parks Advisory Board**
 - **Parking recommendation:** A minimum number of parking spaces (four or five) be located on the south side of the Fast home, as an extension of Jack Street. A handicapped spot and access be provided there or along the bike path.
 - A play area with a play structure ('big toy') be located in the north parcel of the park (north of the Fast home), fenced from the river (back) and the neighbors (both sides).
 - A viewing platform be established near the bank edge from which one can see the river, perhaps on the river side of the proposed parking area.
 - Brush, weeds on the upper level and edge be cleared.
 - Picnic tables and seating benches be installed.
 - An osprey nesting pole be put up soon before the present nesting tree goes.
 - The park to maintain its natural character with minimal development.
 - A plaque or other marker designate the historical importance of the area.
- 7. **Final Meeting:** It was agreed that our work on the Task Force was completed and that this would be the final meeting.
- 8. **ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

*Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 6, 2006 - 6:00 p.m.
Conference Room A or TBA*

Approved: _____