

SEASIDE PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

Thursday 6 PM January 4, 2024

City of Seaside Council Chambers

Meeting Call to Order:

Reading, Approval of Draft Minutes of Nov 2, 2023 Meeting

Introduction of any guests:

Report from Public Works Director

Continuing (Old) Business:

Benches and or boulders to protect “It’s All Connected” sign
at Broadway Park – Nancy Holmes

Public Meeting information in Planning for North Forty - Mary Blake

PAC public Survey, PAC assistance in Planning for North Forty - Bill Montero

Confirm dates and places for North Forty public meetings – Nancy Holmes

Reminder to fill out the City’s Comprehensive Plan Survey. It is not too late and you can do it twice. Details: Bill Montero

Good of the Order:

Next PAC Meeting Thursday, **February 1, 2024** 6:00 PM

City of Seaside Workshops and Council Meetings 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month. Easy to watch on YouTube.

CITY OF SEASIDE PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (draft)

Meeting Minutes

November 2, 2023

CALL TO ORDER:

ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

NON-MEMBERS PRESENT:

ABSENT:

Nancy Holmes, Chair	Mary Blake	Mike Dimmick (staff PWD)	Daffne Mejia
Bill Montero, Vice Chair		Spencer Kyle (City Manager)	
Pam Bierly, Secretary			
Jim Kuhn			
Dave Eilenberg			

REVIEW OF MEETING AGENDA: meeting called to order at 6:03

REVIEW OF MINUTES: accepted as written, Mary first, Bill second

COUNCIL REPORT: No Council report, Tom Horning was absent

NEW BUSINESS: Spencer Kyle came to speak to us about how we can help the City regarding The North Forty. Some time ago Dale came up with the start of plans for the North Forty. Spencer wants to really plan it right because as we all know, it is the last large piece of property in Seaside. In a recent work session with the City Council they asked our committee to canvas the community and get their input. We would survey the community by asking some of our known groups what their wishes would be, for example: Parks & Recreation, Kiwanis, Rotary, Seaside Kids, the Utti Family (because they are neighbors to the North Forty), other neighbors of the area, The Chamber of Commerce, SDDA, the Catholic Church, the Latino Community as well as various other groups and individuals. At the end there would be a 7-10 minute video overview.

Spencer would like us to consider three types of park: (We know we can't do it all)

1. Passive: more or less a large green space.
2. Heavily Programmed: every inch planned and scheduled to get the most sports .
3. Something in the Middle: a mix of picnic spaces, open spaces, and recreational sports places. A dog park was discussed.

The Council would then look at the suggestions and consider things such as a high request for ball fields weighed against a high number of fields already existing vs. zero soccer fields etc, and other ideas. We also need to think about best access points to the park, water, restrooms, the best place for parking, walkways etc. Would we want to stay with organized sports, or just come and play where there was room - open play or scheduled?

Bill will work up a potential questionnaire.

Once we get all the data, we (the Council, with input from others they choose, will make a list of the most popular options and put it out to the organizations we have asked for input (and possibly public members who've shown extreme interest) Nancy asked when and how this would come about. Spencer said once we have gathered our information and delivered the information to the City Council then we will have access to a planner who can help us with any questions that arise. Spencer also reminded us that once we have a plan it can't happen over night because we have to come up with funding and will likely have to do the work in little chunks as we get grants. He says we are not in a giant rush. We want to get it right, and we need a strategy/masterplan.

Spencer: At the bottom line, the City Council will be the ones who decide, then have a levy and/or get grants, then get bonding.

Mark Utti's position for his use of his property is to get as much housing as possible, aimed primarily at affordable housing for the workforce.

PUBLIC WORKS UPDATE ON PARKS – Mike Dimmick:

Mike says the project manager is Ed Arden from Coastal Restoration. He's a local who grew up here and a soccer coach for Seaside High School. He will come to the next meeting.

Mike's talked to the lady (Nikki) about Broadway Park about our difficulties about the playground structure. She is mailing him a check for the money we need to finish Ed's project up.

Other upcoming projects are fiber optics, pollution at the sewer treatment plant, a water break, the shower at the cove-it's all set to do but he needs the time and manpower, anything about the North Forty.

February is love your parks month.

Mike also had great news about the Mill Ponds. They are putting a chain link fence around the whole Mill Ponds to let it heal itself, moving all of the tent campers over to a place they've cleared on Wahanna Rd., moving the trailers into the old place for the recycle center, and moving the recycle center into the city shops parking lot where the city people can keep an eye on who comes and goes and it will be locked up at night.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: Spencer reminded us that people can go to the City website and link to the city planning session or the council meeting. If there is a certain topic you are particularly interested there are hyperlinks that you can use to get to the section you want.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:54