

Description			
Board of Park Commission Monthly Board Meeting			
Date		Location	
11/28/2007		Board of Park Commission	
Time	Speaker	Note	
5:02:47 PM	Chair Debbie Deagen	Call to Order. Commissioners in Attendance: Chair Debbie Deagen, Vice Chair Patrick Finnegan, Jack Clarkson, Carol Collins, Rick Fink, Jill Hodges-Wilkinson, and Kelli Stanley. Guests in Attendance: Professor Bill Pond, Sara Anderson, Elwood Bakken, JP Pomnichowski, Stan Wagner, and Joanne Jennings.	
5:03:00 PM	Chair Debbie Deagen	Announcement that this meeting is being audio streamed to internet.	
5:03:19 PM	Chair Debbie Deagen	Announcement of new Belgrade Representative Appointment - Jill Hodges-Wilkinson	
5:04:10 PM		Introductions.	
5:05:05 PM	Chair Debbie Deagen	I. Public Comment. There were no public comments on matters not on the agenda.	
5:05:17 PM		II. Approval of Minutes from October 24, 2007.	
5:05:24 PM	Jack Clarkson	Move to accept the minutes as presented.	
5:05:31 PM	Patrick Finnegan	Second	
5:05:38 PM		Board Discussion: Corrections - [Chair Deagen] 5:18:36 - I was presenting the design committee for the Regional Park notes, including a discussion on 911 facility at the park.; 4:38 First sentence should read "What we are asking the public..."; 4:40 - Last sentence should read "They would like..."	
5:07:11 PM		All voted aye to approve minutes as amended. Motion carried unanimously.	
5:07:17 PM	Chair Debbie Deagen	III. Approval of Claims. There were no claims for approval at this time.	
5:07:25 PM	Chair Debbie Deagen	Moved Discussion Items to end of meeting after the Master Plan Adoption item.	
5:07:38 PM	Chair Debbie Deagen	V. Action Items: Approval of Master Plan for the Gallatin County Regional Park	
5:07:43 PM	Mike	Discussion regarding adoption of resolution approving the Master Plan. The resolution formalizing the adoption of the master plan will be approved at a future meeting pending the adoption of the plan tonight.	
5:09:08 PM	Chair Debbie	Placed all comments received via email and mail regarding this item into the record. Detailed the history and process that has been followed beginning with the work of	

	Deagen	FORParks, creation of the Board of Park Commission, and work completed with the assistance of Professor Bill Pond and his students.
5:12:53 PM	Chair Debbie Deagen	Opened up the meeting for comments to make any necessary changes to the Master Plan. This is step one of a very long process. The next step will be the creation of an engineering study looking at all of these proposed elements to see if they can be done. Another step will be to look at maintenance costs. At the current time we have no funding for construction of this park, we will look at proposals from community groups that come forward that meet the intent of the Master Plan, to create detailed plans for each element and look at maintenance issues and the users groups will need to maintain that part of the park as we don't have funds or a Parks Department to do so. At this time what we're looking at are the elements that the Community would like to see in this park and the general relationship of one element to another. This is our very first general blue print and an additional item to go along with this in the next few months will be program notes regarding each element to explain the schematic.
5:15:28 PM		Discussion regarding water issues. [Bill Pond, Mike Harris]
5:20:32 PM	JP Pomnichowski, Legislator, House of Representatives	I'm pleased to hear that there is such a nice proportion of planned multiple-use here and responsible water use. This gives me a lot of relief. I applaud the efforts of everyone to bring so much variety to the Regional Park. I think that will be one of the things that will draw people to it. Thank you for your work.
5:21:41 PM		Discussion regarding the Dog Park element. [Sara Anderson, Professor Pond, Mike Harris, Commissioners]
5:25:20 PM		Discussion regarding Skatepark element. [Elwood Bakken]
5:26:26 PM	Stan Wagner, FORParks President	Comments from FORParks.
5:31:58 PM		Board Discussion
5:32:13 PM		Discussion regarding boat access points and law enforcement needs. [Chair Deagen, Stan Wagner]
5:34:18 PM		Discussion regarding location of the restroom(s). [Chair Deagen, Mike Harris, Stan Wagner]
5:39:36 PM		Discussion regarding vegetation and sustainability of the landscaping efforts. [Chair Deagen, Professor Pond]
5:43:43 PM		Discussion regarding access to skatepark access for law enforcement and/or emergency vehicles. [Chair Deagen, Mike Harris]

5:44:52 PM	Mike Harris, Coordinator	One thing that you should include in the motion and resolution is how you will amend this plan. You have created an elemental park plan. You have very good descriptions that are broad and the site plans for the specific areas will dictate. However, if someone wants to come in and convert a certain area to something else because that area wasn't completed within a certain period of time, you need to have a mechanism for amending the plan to do so.
5:45:53 PM	Carol Collins	Couldn't we amend the plan with a motion to amend the plan?
5:46:03 PM	Mike Harris, Coordinator	It could be as simple as amending it at any published meeting or having a resolution of intent with a 30 day public comment period and then a resolution to adopt.
5:46:46 PM	Chair Debbie Deagen	I have also thought that we would also have some period of review. Perhaps annually or within a 5 year period if there has been no action on a certain element then we would reconsider that element and open it up for proposals from the Community for something else.
5:47:22 PM	Jack Clarkson	Inquired about who is responsible for drafting the resolution for adoption. Requested that a caveat be included that all intended facilities look to using best environmental practices. The more implementation of these practices, the higher reduction in long-term maintenance costs. We should include that it is our intentions that environmentally friendly construction and practices would be preferred.
5:49:39 PM	Chair Debbie Deagen	Long-term environmentally sustainable elements was one item that was highly emphasized at the Charrettes. These things could be part of the general philosophy of park development where we ask each applicant to address those for their element.
5:50:39 PM	Professor Pond	I think that the document part would be appropriate to do an overall theme statement for future development of everything that we could pull up for sustainability, LEED programs, etc. We could start out the written part with some overall rules that will facilitate a theme for the next 20 years. I would be in support of your notion of making it clear that there is an umbrella of innovative practices in the environmental world. If you want to make a motion to include this in the written aspect, I would support that.
5:52:27 PM	Patrick Finnegan	I'd like to make a motion to adopt the master plan with the additional element of emergency boat ramps for lakes, that the process for change is a resolution of intent to amend the plan either changes of elements or adoption of site plans and that all elements should consider to use the

		most environmentally friendly technology or process.
5:53:04 PM	Rick Fink	I'd also like to add the part about going in and reviewing the plan every five years.
5:53:10 PM		Discussion regarding language for the review of the plan every five years.
5:53:59 PM		Discussion regarding identification of approved draft - "2007 Master Plan" dated November 28, 2007
5:55:16 PM	Patrick Finnegan	Withdraw motion.
5:55:24 PM	Patrick Finnegan	Move to adopt the Master Plan with the additional element of "Y" - emergency boat ramps.
5:55:32 PM	Carol Collins	Second.
5:55:39 PM		All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.
5:55:44 PM	Patrick Finnegan	I'd like to move to adopt additional processes to the master plan that include a resolution of intent for the amendment process of the plan that includes changes to the elements and adoption of the site plans by use of resolution of intent, that all elements should consider the most environmentally friendly technology and process and that we review the master plan no later than five years.
5:56:23 PM	Rick Fink	Second.
5:56:50 PM		Clarification that this adoption is pertaining to the 2007 Master Plan as adopted today.
5:57:00 PM		All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.
5:57:38 PM	Chair Debbie Deagen	Thank you to all of the members of FORParks for all of their work, Bill Pond for moving this process along, and all of the community members that participated and provided input.
5:59:14 PM		IV. Discussion Items
5:59:24 PM	Chair Debbie Deagen	<u>Wetlands and weed management concerns.</u>
6:00:17 PM	Mike Harris, Coordinator	Explanation of two issues - weeds and wetlands issue. A jail crew and some contractors helped with cleaning up the area under the tall grass along Oak Street. The wetlands issue is the Baxter Meadows project and their responsibility for addressing for their 404 mitigation project.
6:11:25 PM	Chair Debbie Deagen	<u>Update on Neighborhood Meeting for discussion of MSU Projects class presentation for Nash Park.</u>
6:11:43 PM	Mike Harris, Coordinator	Update.
6:24:17 PM	Chair Debbie	

	Deagen	Discussion regarding signing of the Regional Park.
6:24:30 PM	Mike Harris, Coordinator	Explained that he has been trying to get clarity on what should be signed and how as far as legally and for liability.
6:25:27 PM	Chair Debbie Deagen	Asked Mike to check with the City and legal counsel and report at the next meeting regarding signage at the park.
6:25:42 PM	Chair Debbie Deagen	VI. Other
6:31:35 PM	Mike Harris, Coordinator	Discussion regarding River Rock and the liability surrounding the community well which includes a water storage tank and pump house.
6:33:31 PM	Chair Debbie Deagen	VII. Set Agenda, Meeting Time and Location. The Executive Committee meeting will be held on December 13th and the Board meeting held on the regular date of December 19th.
6:35:14 PM	Mike Harris, Coordinator	Requested a Board Retreat sometime after the first of the year. One issue that could be a topic for discussion at the retreat is the process for County Parks for the use of facilities and contracting parameters with user groups.
6:39:31 PM	Rick Fink	The City is looking at how much park land the City maintains and how much they charge for the use of the parks. They are also finding there may be an issue with people wanting to use parks within subdivisions that are maintained by Homeowner Associations but are "public" parks.
6:44:19 PM		There may not be sufficient need to hold the December 19th meeting. This will be determined at the Executive Committee meeting. At this time the Commission can plan for a retreat the first or second week of February.
6:47:51 PM	Chair Debbie Deagen	Presented an invitation to attend the next Safe Trails meeting this Tuesday. Debbie will attend to provide a brief update.
6:50:09 PM		Discussion regarding trails connections and their integration with our plans. [Chair Deagen, Mike Harris]
6:51:49 PM	Mike Harris, Coordinator	For the 19th meeting: It would be helpful before the retreat for the board to filter down issues that you'd like to address. We need to prioritize these issues prior to the event. Ideas for the Retreat should be forwarded to the Executive Committee.
6:53:55 PM		Meeting adjourned.
6:53:56 PM		Ideas for the Retreat should be forwarded to the Executive Committee.

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