

**MINUTES**  
**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**  
**Monday, November 25, 2013 @ Noon – 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room in City Hall**

**ROLL CALL:** Sue Austin Chair, P&R Director Kim Woodruff, Jim DuBuisson, Janis McClelland, Gwen Victorson, Joel Sargent, and Anna Waterous

**ABSENT:** Kris Knowles

**MINUTES:**

Commissioner Sargent motioned to approve the minutes for September 23, 2013 as presented and Commissioner DuBuisson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**NEW STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE**

Director will pursue new student representative from the Bird School and a new representative from Lake Pend Oreille School District; perhaps from central office.

**ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR**

Commissioner McClelland motioned for Commissioner Austin to remain as Chair, Commissioner DuBuisson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Sargent motioned for Commissioner Victorson to remain as Vice Chair, Commissioner DuBuisson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**DOGS AT HUMBIRD MILL PARK**

Humbird Mill Park is also the trail head and a portion of the Pend d'Oreille Bay Trail. Current Sandpoint City Code prohibits dogs in parks. Commissioners discussed the importance of keeping the trail consistent throughout the various jurisdictions and to consider historical usage. Commissioner DuBuisson motioned that the Commission recommend to City Council to allow dogs at this park specifically with leashes recommended. Commissioner Sargent seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**PROPOSED PUBLIC PARK AT BONNER COUNTY FAIR GROUNDS**

Director reported back on meeting with Fair Board regarding a proposed public park, including connective pathways to nearby housing developments, to be located at the Bonner Co. Fair Grounds. Board members were conceptually supportive of a partnership in which the City would build a park and would then work with Fairgrounds to maintain. Two areas were proposed; one near wildlife building and stage, and a second nearer to the jail. Commissioners encouraged a tractor or other fair themed park. Director will present again to Fair Board and report back in January of progress. Committee would work on design and connective pathways. Commissioner McClelland volunteered to be a P&R Commission representative for the committee should the project continue to progress.

**PARKS AND RECREATION FALL/WINTER PROGRAMS**

Jason Wiley came in and talked about the various programs the Parks and Recreation Department is offering this Fall and Winter. New classes include a babysitting class, kids intro to Jiu Jitsu, adult dodge ball tournament, sat dance workshops, adult Karate, nutrition classes, family history workshops.

**NEXT MEETING**

Commissioner Austin made a motion that December 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting be canceled. Motion was seconded by DuBuisson. Motion passed unanimously.

**Next Scheduled Meetings: Noon Monday January 27, 2014 at City Hall**

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Kami Omodt, Administrative Assistant Parks and Recreation Department