Anderson Island Park & Recreation District

Minutes of Board of Commissioners Meeting of May 21, 2025

Commissioners Present: Rick Anderson, Elizabeth Emerick, John Larsen, Lane Sample and Belen Schneider. Guests: Dale Goodin, Co Goodin, Amanda Steel and Stephanie Hyatt. The meeting was called to order at 6:59 PM at the Anderson Island Library by Chair Belen Schneider. The minutes of April 16, 2025, were reviewed and it was moved by Belen and seconded by Elizabeth to approve them as written. Motion was unanimously approved. The Financial Officer's report for April, 2025, was presented by Elizabeth. It was moved by Rick and seconded by Lane to approve expenses for the period April 16, 2025, to May 20, 2025, including checks #1792515, 1792516, 1792517, 1792518., 1792519, 1792520, 1792521, 1793651, 1793652 and 1793653 totaling \$31,040.83. Motion passed unanimously.

Park Reports: Dale reported that mowing and trimming was ongoing in most parks, and that Scot's Broom was being removed at roadsides and at Andy's Wildlife Park, Jane Cammon Park and the Guthrie Center.

Wide Awake Hollow and Tom White Park: The bare patch in the center of the lawn was tilled, topsoil was spread, and the area was seeded. The grass has sprouted.

Montalvo Park and Cammon Park: The Cultural resources study should be completed this week.

Andy's Wildlife Park: No further report.

Idie Ulsh Park: No further report.

Lowell Johnson Park and Tom's Park: The beaches were weeded and a few truckloads of sand were placed. Most of the deck boards on the V-Dock were replaced, and the water system is working for the Park Host. Keith Hummel will move in as soon as a madrona tree near the camp host site is removed. Anchors were cast for the new buoys and will be installed next week. Certain of the toilets are not working.

St. Anne's Park: No report.

Andrew Anderson Marine Park: No further report.

Johnson's Landing: No further report.

Guthrie Center: Dirt was added and leveled at the new storage area and slabs were poured for two sheds. Dale and Co have been looking for a water spigot which is said to be located in the woods. John reported that Randy Wilkerson has committed to having everything ready for submittal by May 26. Reroofing the building could proceed this summer.

Old Business

Belen reported on the Metke Lawsuit. Our attorney, Chris Kerley, wants to request a reassessment of the judge's opinion to let the lawsuit continue. The Board favors this. Belen distributed photos illustrating the opening in the fence. If the case is to proceed, trial will be in November. Action should be filed soon regarding three cars which are routinely parked in the right-of-way. Chris could ask Metke's attorney for their idea of a satisfactory compromise. Lane reported that Doug Emerick had donated an electric motor for the sailing program. Jeremy Kammel purchased and installed a new battery for it. Supplies are needed for the classes. Anchors are needed for the flags and the sailboards need numbers. Someone donated a white board. Kurt and Captain Corey will be certified this weekend. Belen reported that the meeting for the Forestry Management Plan was productive but no one volunteered to be in charge of developing the plan.

New Business

Stephanie Hyatt, Vice President of the Anderson Island Fitness Association, presented ideas for fundraising, including memorial bricks and plaques with artwork. The board found all her ideas agreeable. Amanda Steel inquired about the park regulations for foraging. It was agreed that some revisions are necessary. Amanda will make a list of the plants she would be interested in foraging. Belen will represent the District at Farm Day, May 24, at the Historical Society. The Margaret Gilbert estate sale will be held this Friday-Monday, with a portion of the proceeds designated as a gift to the District.

At 9:25 PM it was moved by Belen and seconded by John to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.