

Ashton Urban Renewal Agency
Meeting Minutes
July 6, 2017
Ashton, Idaho

Chairman Sara Bowersox called the meeting to order at 4:45 PM.

Attendance

Board Members: Sara Bowersox, Mark Chandler, and Teddy Stronks

Visitors: Sara Reinke, Garth Blanchard, and Michele OMalley

Administrative Support: Katie Cook from ECIPDA

Consideration of Invoices

Katie Cook addressed two invoices that have already been approved. One from the City of Ashton for \$115.30 for water, as well as an invoice in the amount of \$212.23 from Michele OMalley for spring bulbs for the Pocket Park.

Project Update and Potential Projects

Pocket Park

1. Sculpture

Mark Chandler stated that he and Sarah met with the local artist that brought several examples of what could be done for the sculpture. The examples were bronze sculptures of animals. There was much discussion on whether to use the bronze examples the artist brought or to put more into a sculpture that portrays more of "Ashton" and move away from the bronze as it may not be cost effective. The decision was made to discuss further at the next meeting.

Future Project Discussion

2. City Park

Katie Cook addressed the board with the information she got on financials from the county regarding the funds the Historic High School/City Park District will have available to participate with the grant. She states that it would be great to get a letter of intent or support from the community members that are willing to pledge to help with the project. Teddy knows of two people that want to donate \$5,000 each. He will get letters of support from those two people.

Teddy Stronks motioned to modify the grant participation amount to \$25,000. Mark Chandler seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Other Business/Next Meeting Date

Mark Chandler stated that he checked into getting power for the pocket park. It would be around \$1,200.00 to get a meter installed. Teddy Stronks will clear it with the City and it will be further discussed at the next meeting.

Sara stated that she got the estimate back from Josh Grover with Grover Landscape on continuing the lawn maintenance at the Pocket Park. A contract for another year including weeding would be \$40.00/week. Teddy Stronks made a motion to approve the contract for lawn maintenance at the Pocket Park at \$40.00/week. Mark Chandler seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Sara also addressed talking to Josh Grover about the three shade trees on the west side of the park. Originally it had been discussed to get Lindon trees but there have been a few concerns about those trees specifically. Other options that were brought up for the trees were Maple trees or Mountain Ash trees. Sara states that she will reach back out to Josh and ask which of the three trees would be best.

Sara addressed that it has been suggested that Urban Renewal order two trash cans from the City for the park. Mark Chandler made a motion to order two trash cans from the city. Teddy Stronks seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The next meeting was set for July 20th at 4:30.

Adjournment

Teddy Stronks made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Mark Chandler seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 5:25 pm.

Meeting minutes prepared by Laine Trost

Minutes accepted by:

Sara Bowersox, Chairman