

The City of Columbia City

In Columbia County on the Columbia River



PARKS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES JUNE 26, 2012 - 6:00 P.M. CITY HALL, 1840 SECOND STREET COLUMBIA CITY, OR 97018

Present:

Shannon Fitzgibbons, Chair
Marian Calnon
Stan Hopkins
Jack Hruska
Sheila Bauer
Leahnette Rivers

Entrance Sign Site: Leahnette said the PUD has installed power at the site. She said the Public Works crew needs to install some conduit for the lighting fixtures, and then the electrician will be ready to install the lights. She said the Public Works crew plans to spray the weeds and put down Caseron in the very near future to control the weeds along the bank.

We Support our Veterans signs: Shannon said the “We support our Veterans” signs have been made and will be installed at each entrance of the City on Highway 30 by the Public Works crew. Jack said the City needs to back those words up with actions. Leahnette said the City has adopted a new policy that gives hiring preference to veterans, and Shannon said she worked with the DAR to allow the National Guard to hold their annual picnic at the Caples House free of charge. Shannon said she’s also assisted with the coordination of National Guard drill exercises within Columbia City. Jack suggested the City consider supporting legislation that benefits our veterans, and giving discounts to veterans for use of the Community Hall. Sheila suggested the City place an article in the Newsletter that documents the ways in which the City supports veterans.

Pixie Park: Stan said he hasn’t made much progress with removing the blackberries due to the weather. He said they are really out of control and it will require a lot of work.

Harvard Park: The Committee reviewed Kathleen Devlin’s May 3, 2012 planting proposal for screening the porta-potty in Harvard Park. Committee Members felt nandina could be

used around the fencing, and a variety of rhododendrons and dog wood trees could trees could be planted around the area to better conceal the porta-potty, but maintain a safe environment. The Committee suggested Kathleen bring in a planting plan for consideration at a future meeting.

Meeting adjourned 6:52 p.m.