

The City of Columbia City

In Columbia County on the Columbia River



PARKS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES AUGUST 28, 2018 - 5:00 P.M. 1840 SECOND STREET, COLUMBIA CITY, OR 97018

Present:

Nell Harrison, Committee Member
Jack Hruska, Committee Member
Sheila Bauer, Committee Member
Leahnette Rivers, City Administrator/Recorder

Veterans Park: Nell said the ceanothus is thriving and looking great. She said they have added new wildflower seeds around the entrance of the park for next year. She said the weeds have been removed behind the fence and it looks great now. Leahnette said it will be a while before the Public Works crew is able to prep for the concrete for the fifth veteran wall.

McBride Creek Trail System: Leahnette said representatives from ODOT Rail were out today to tour the various sites of the project. She said after they toured all of the key sites associated with the railroad crossings and their right-of-way, the consensus was that they were very supportive of the entire project. She said they agreed that the two rail crossings (the at-grade crossing at southerly Knife River site that will lead to the new parking area and the below-grade crossing at the culvert that will connect with the pedestrian bridge over the highway) should be treated as two separate projects. The Knife River crossing is a shorter-term project, while the Highway 30/pedestrian bridge/culvert access project is a longer term project. She said Prescott Mann of ODOT Rail will be scheduling a diagnostic meeting with the ODOT Rail team and City staff so that the required improvements to the at-grade crossing at Knife River can be identified, which will be very helpful to the City when moving forward with the completing the crossing permit application because a conceptual drawing needs to be included with the application.

Carolyn King Memorial Park: Leahnette said the border still needs to be installed. She said the Public Works crew has been really busy working on other water and sewer projects, so she plans to have the Community Work Crew complete this work.

Harvard Park: Leahnette said unfortunately, as a result of other project demands, the shade sail installation wasn't possible during the month of August. She said the crew has the posts ready for the installation work – it's just a matter of them finding the time to install them.