

**CROOK COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION DISTRICT
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The regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors of Crook County Parks & Recreation District, Crook County, Oregon was held at the Juniper Art Guild in Prineville, on Wednesday, January 12, 2010. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Pennington at 4:17PM

Board Members: Forest Carbaugh, Barb Pennington, Donna White, Cindy Hurt, Debbie Smith

Staff Present: Maureen Crawford, Jeannie Searcy, Joey Williams, Duane Garner

PRIOR MINUTES: Mr. Carbaugh made a motion to approve the Dec. 22, 2010 board meeting minutes, seconded by Mrs Smith. Motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT: Mrs. Searcy passed out the audit to those that had not picked one up. She stated that the easiest way to get a quick overview is to read the management discussion. She also stated that with each audit is letter to the board from the auditor Mr. Donica. Mrs. Searcy asked if the board has any questions. Mrs. Pennington asked what Accrued Absences means: Mrs. Searcy stated that if an employee were to leave the district that this amount would be paid by the district to the employee upon leaving. It includes payout for accrued vacation of all employees and sick leave for those age 59 1/2 and over. Mrs. Searcy stated that the board can contact her at any time if they have additional questions about the report.

DIRECTOR OVERVIEW: Ms. Crawford asked if any of the board members attended the City Council meeting. She said the Mayor received over fifty letters in respond to the article on the nativity scene. Ms. Crawford said the Mayor said that the Nativity scene would stay. She also said that the Mayor is forming a committee, and asked Ms. Crawford to sit on the committee. Ms. Crawford said that Mr. Garner spoke at the meeting. She said that he represented himself as a resident and as district employee, and did a very good job. Ms. Crawford will keep the board informed. A discussion took place about the meeting.

STAFF AND BOARD INPUT: Mr. Garner said that there is tree work going on now in Pioneer and Ochoco Creek parks. His staff is getting equipment cleaned up and they have been picking up leaves. They has also been cleaning up at the RV Park and taking down all of the Christmas decorations.

WETLAND AGREEMENT: Ms. Crawford asked if everyone looked over their copy of the agreement. She asked if the board has any questions. Mrs. Pennington asked for clarification on how the process works. Ms. Crawford said that ODOT made an agreement with the City to create these wetlands. There is a bank of money set up to manage the wetlands. A Steward need to be appointed whom will be responsible to manage the wetlands using the money in the bank. They are asking the District to be the long-term Steward. However, the District would not need to be involved at all for at least 8-years. Ms. Crawford said that even if the district were to become the long-term steward, it could back out of the agreement at any time. Ms. Crawford said that this may be a good opportunity for the District but who knows what will happen ten years from now. Basically, it comes down to the fact that the City has to have a steward appointed in order to move forward.

A motion was made to enter into the Intergovernmental Agreement; Crooked River Wetland Mitigation Bank Stewardship Agreement City of Prineville and Crook County parks and Recreation District. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: Mrs. Hurt made a motion to approve the bills as submitted, seconded by Mrs. White. Motion passed unanimously.

ONE/FIVE/TEN YEAR GOALS: Mrs. Searcy passed out copies of the district's goals. She noted that there are several more goals for recreation than before. Mrs. Searcy said that the goals use to be updated annually in July after the budget process was complete. The policy has been changed to state that the goals are updated annually, in the beginning of the year, before budgeting so they can be included in the budget. Mr. Carbaugh asked if there is anything in works for the Disc Golf course. Ms. Crawford said it will probably be put back at Rimrock. Mr. Garner said the City did not receive their grant, so the bike path overlay will not happen. A discussion took place about the condition of the bike path. Mrs. Searcy stated that it will not fall off their radar as it is right on the cusp. She said the City will apply again. Mrs. White asked if there has been any information on Iron Horse. Ms. Crawford and Mrs. Searcy both answered no. Ms. Crawford asked that Ochoco Lake Campground paving be added to the one year goals.

Mrs. White made a motion to approve the goals as submitted, seconded by Mrs. Hurt. Motion passed unanimously.

NEXT MEETING DATE & ADJOURNMENT: Mrs. Pennington adjourned the regular board meeting at 4:57 p.m. The next board meeting will be Wednesday, January 26th, 2010 at 4:15pm at Juniper Art Guild. # # #