

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Minutes

Regular Meeting – December 3, 2020

Meeting Location: Mariposa Shelter, Las Colonias

Roll Call

Board Members Present: William Findlay
Beau Flores
Gary Schroen
Austin Solko
Nancy Strippel
Lisa Whalen
Byron Wiehe

Board Members Absent: Marc Litzen

City Staff Present: Ken Sherbenou, Director of Parks and Recreation
Lance Gloss, Senior Planner – Community Development
Allison Little, Administrative Specialist

Guests Present: Ted Ciavonne, Ciavonne, Roberts & Associates, Inc.

Item 1: Meeting called to order by William Findlay at 12:05 p.m.

Item 2: Approve Minutes from the November 5, 2020 Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting.

Due to the site visit at the former Brady Trucking Property, this item was tabled until a future meeting.

Item 3: Site Visit Brady Trucking

Lance Gloss and Ted Ciavonne talked with the Board about the former Brady Trucking property and the location of the trail easement on the property. The current trail terminates at the Las Colonias Boat Launch and winds north to Las Colonias Landing and heads east, south of the roundabout until it connects with C ½ Road. For reference, the intersection of C ½ Rd and 27 ½ Rd is about the middle of the property. Currently the Boat launch prevents the trail being continued under the Eagle Rim Bridge, so a realignment of the trail will be required. The current easement is 50' wide with variable width from the river. There is currently a large berm between the river and the current trail easement which will not be removed. The continuation of the trail will be north of the berm. In the western portion of the property there is no proposal to change the existing easement.

Toward the center of the property, the proposal would be to vacate the current 50' easement which travels diagonally towards the north eastern corner of the property increasingly far away from the river's edge making a north south connection at the eastern edge of the property. The proposal would be for a new 40' easement closer to the edge of the river and moving the north south connection towards the middle of the property so that the trail would connect to C ½ Rd at 27 ½ Rd.. Board members walked the property at the locations where the developer proposes bringing the trail connection in, north of the Boat Launch, along the river, below the berm on the western side of the property and towards the mid-point where the proposal would vacate the existing easement and make a new north south connection

and put a new easement in place. Board members discussed their strong preference for preservation or creation of river views wherever possible and supporting a single track trail along the top of the berm in the western portion of the easement where the concrete trail would be located below the berm. Gary Schroen made a motion to support the proposal for vacation and replacement of the existing easement. The motion was seconded by Austin Solko and carried unanimously.

Motion by the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board: Yes 7 No 0

Item 4: 2021 Meeting Dates

Tabled to a future meeting.

Item 5: For the Good of the Community

Tabled to a future meeting

Item 6: Future Agenda Topics

As previously noted, items 4, and 5 will be revisited at a future meeting.

Item 7: Adjourn

The meeting adjourned by acclamation at 1:13 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be January 7, 2021

Respectfully Submitted,

Allison Little
Administrative Specialist