

Parks & Rec Commission Meeting

Thursday June 20th 2024

Attendance:

Parks & Rec Commission Members Present: Tex Blankenburg, Cy Field, Heather Oaksen, Margaret Payne, Johannes Krieger, Mehgan Alexandra

Staff Present: Brandon Andrews, Angelica Hadeen

County Council Liaison: Christine Minney

Approval of Minutes: April 18th, 2024, Meeting Minutes Approved. Motion by Mehgan Alexandra, seconded by Heather Oaksen. All Ayes.

Public Access: N/A

Correspondence: N/A

Chair Message: None

Council Liaison Message: New County Manager Jessica Hudson starts July 15th. Tuesday June 18th Public Works got the authorization to purchase property on Shaw Island.

New Business:

Seasonal Benefit Packages: Seasonals currently get health, days off, and free housing at the parks. If seasonal works five full months without time off, they qualify for retirement benefits. There is sick leave via a state program. Brandon will reach out to HR to find out about seasonals receiving paid holidays, sick leave, and vacation and see what our options are for the parks department.

Park Ranger Program: This is a new program with the Parks & Fair Department. The uniform was chosen with a Men's and Women's cut. There is the option to have a shirt altered by a tailor if the appropriate size is not available. The turnaround time in ordering the uniforms is unpredictable with the availability of the color and inventory from the vendor. We are limited by the budget in how much volume we can purchase in a year.

Old Business: None

Announcements:

- Director's Report: Public Works property purchase on Shaw is two parcels on five acres. There is a guesthouse/studio, carport, house, 3 car garage with living space above. The Parks Department is hoping to utilize the guesthouse for Seasonal living space during the summers and for Nick Jones Shaw Park Manager to be able to set up a workspace on the property.
- In closing, congratulations and salutation to Maragret Payne for all her great dedication and hard work with the Parks Board

Adjourn: 5:20PM