

Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes
City of Mount Vernon
May 11, 2021

The Mount Vernon Parks and Recreation Board met on May 11th at 5:33 p.m. via Zoom virtual meeting with the following members present: Catherine Poduska, Loren Hoffman, Bob Campagna, Julia Andrews, and Rory Wiebel. Also in attendance: Parks and Recreation Director, Matt Siders.

1. Approval of the Agenda. Motion made by Hoffman to approve agenda. Seconded by Andrews. Carried all.

2. Approval of the Minutes of January 12th meeting. Motion made by Hoffman to approve agenda. Seconded by Andrews. Carried all.

3. Open Forum - nothing

4. Directors Report.

No questions from the Board in regards to the report.

5. Discussion regarding MVLCT performance at Memorial Park

MVLCT presented written and visual formats for a performance at Memorial Park in September. Dan Campagna discussed how the Summer Shakespeare at the Gazebo would look. They would utilize the gazebo two weekend in September. No fastening or reconstruction to the actual facilities. They will pursue the proper permits with the City and County.

6. Discussion regarding Trail concept at Nature Park / Business Highway 30

Estimated quotes for a East concept and West concept were shared. The East concept was a lot more than anticipated. Siders cautioned the Board that there could be some development that could affect the overall plan. Siders will bring back to the Board when he learns more.

7. Discussion regarding sculpture park in Mount Vernon

Bob Campagna presented the sculpture park concept that he has seen in Colorado. Links to the two parks where this exists were shared. Hoffman mentioned Nature Park might be a good location and maybe continuing on to Hahn Creek Greenway. Vandalism was a concern. Bob Campagna will research this idea further.

8. Discussion regarding pickleball courts / grant opportunity

Siders shared he was approached by a donor to provide funds for up to two outdoor pickleball courts. The City would need to finalize a location. Donor would provide concrete and the City would provide all else. Wiebel mentioned old sand volleyball court at Davis Park. Siders will investigate that location. Other site mentioned was Stonebrook Park.

9. Discussion regarding shade opportunities for outdoor patio at LBC

This item was tabled

Subcommittee reports (Parks, Capital, Pool, Programming, and Volunteer). None reported.

Old Business. Trail committee member prospects were identified. Trail kiosks were mentioned again.

New Business. Pump Track committee being considered. Fundraising for Davis Park was mentioned.

Meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m., May 11, 2021

Respectfully submitted
Matt Siders, Director MV Parks and Rec