



MINUTES
KEIZER CITY COUNCIL/PARKS ADVISORY BOARD
WORK SESSION

Monday, September 12, 2022 Keizer, Oregon

CALL TO ORDER: Work Session convened at the Chalmers Jones Park gazebo at 6:00 p.m. The following were present:

Councilors:

Cathy Clark, Mayor
Roland Herrera
Laura Reid
Shaney Starr
Dan Kohler

Parks Advisory Board:

Tanya Hamilton, Chair
David Louden
Matt Lawyer
Clay Rushton
Gwen Carr
Lisa Cejka

Absent:

Mathew Poteet, Parks Board
Katie Brady, Parks Board
Mike Pantalone, Parks Board
Elizabeth Smith, Councilor
Kyle Juran, Councilor

Staff Present:

Robert Johnson, Parks Manager
Bill Lawyer, Public Works Director
Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder

CITY PARKS TOUR

Palma Ciega Park: Parks Manager Robert Johnson explained that this park is a riverfront park with limited parking. Portions of the property are being used by adjacent landowners for gardens/orchards. Staff has worked with the West Keizer Neighborhood Association to improve the park so this visit is a 'before/after' view of it. There are now two new river viewing points since limbs that used to block the view have been cut off. An Eagle Scout is scheduled to build/clear a path to the river starting at the first bench and going diagonally down the hill to the river where there is an excellent viewing spot. It is anticipated that the project will be completed within the next 5 to 6 weeks.

Keizer Rapids Park: Participants viewed the two new picnic shelters, the newly seeded and irrigated field near the boat ramp and the area planned for the turf fields. Robert Johnson noted that one of the picnic shelters near the Big Toy will be available to reserve for parties.

Bair Park: Mr. Johnson explained that the park is left in a natural state so that native plants and bulbs can thrive but is mowed near the beginning of July to reduce fire hazard. A trail to the remains of the Oakland Touring Car is planned as an Eagle Scout project. When it is completed an interpretive sign telling about the car and property will be installed.

ADJOURN Meeting adjourned at Bair Park at 7:32 p.m.

Approved: 10-11-22