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KEIZER PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD AGENDA
Tuesday, July 11, 2023, 6:00 p.m.
Keizer Civic Center

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES ~ June 2023
3. APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS
4. NEW/OLD BUSINESS
 - Legal Graffiti/Tagging Wall
 - <https://www.positivestreetart.org/legal-graff-walls>
 - <https://www.vancouverisawesome.com/local-news/first-legal-graffiti-wall-alley-tagging-vancouver-bc-5707660>
 - <https://www.wikihow.com/Get-Started-Making-Legal-Graffiti>
 - <http://www.pdxstreetart.org/articles-all/2019/4/5/legalwalls>
 - https://www.oregonlive.com/hillsboro/2012/07/graffiti_artists_paint_legally.html
 - Park Reports:
 - Tanya Hamilton: Country Glen & Mike Whittam
 - Gwen Carr: Claggett Creek & Ben Miller
 - David Loudon: Wallace House & Meadows
 - Katie Brady: Ryan J. Hill & Northridge
 - Lisa Cejka: Palma Ciega & Willamette Manor
 - All: Keizer Rapids Park
5. STAFF REPORT
6. COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT
7. OTHER BUSINESS
 - Board Member Reporting to Council: Katie Brady, July 17
8. ADJOURNMENT

Reminders: Next Board Meeting → Tuesday, August 8, 2023



**KEIZER PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES
Tuesday, June 23, 2023
6:00 p.m. Keizer Civic Center**

CALL TO ORDER – Vice Chair Lisa Cejka called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
Attendance was noted as follows:

Present

Lisa Cejka, Vice Chair
David Loudon
Gwen Carr
Matt Lawyer
Michael Pantalone

Staff Present

Robert Johnson, Parks Division Manager
Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder

Council Liaison Present

Councilor Kohler

Absent:

Tanya Hamilton, Chair
Clay Rushton
Katie Brady
Mathew Poteet (resigned)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Matt Lawyer moved for approval of the April 2023 Minutes.
Gwen Carr seconded. Motion passed as follows: Cejka, Loudon, Carr, Lawyer and Pantalone
in favor with Hamilton, Rushton and Brady absent and one position vacant.

APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS:

Carolyn Homan thanked the Parks Board for the grant which allowed volunteers to plant
ground cover at Willamette Manor Park and reported on the status of the plants.

Richard Walsh and *Dylan Juran* thanked the Board for their ongoing efforts and thanked
Deputy City Recorder Debbie Lockhart for her continued years of service and wished her well
in her pending retirement.

Matt Lawyer echoed the testimony of Mr. Walsh and Mr. Juran and presented Ms. Lockhart
with a jar of bark chips from the pile at the Big Toy (which Ms. Lockhart was instrumental in
spreading during the Big Toy Build in 2014).

NEW/OLD BUSINESS

Matching Grant Request – Peggy & Jerry Moore Community Garden: Board reviewed
the grant request. Peggy Moore provided details about the proposed improvements noting
that the money is for flowers for hanging baskets which will bring in pollinators and make the
garden pretty.

Matt Lawyer moved to approve the \$200 matching grant. Mike Pantalone seconded. Motion
passed as follows: Cejka, Loudon, Carr, Lawyer and Pantalone in favor with Hamilton,
Rushton and Brady absent and one position vacant.

Park Reports:

- **Mike Pantalone:** *Sunset Park* looks good; small pile of dry brush on the right as entering the park. | *Bob Newton* looks good; area around fence has been cleared.
- **Clay Rushton:** *Bair & Hidden Creek* no report.
- **Mathew Poteet** (resigned): *Keizer Little League & Northview* – No report.
- **Matt Lawyer:** *Chalmers-Jones* always in use. Some skaters wear helmets. | *Clearlake* is wet but looks good.
- **All:** *Keizer Rapids Park:* Concern was voiced regarding fire hazards and remains of small fires in areas throughout the park. Robert Johnson explained that City staff works closely with Keizer Fire District. Last year they widened a fire access road for them and they have been training staff on the fastest route. Any time staff hears of a fire they assist immediately and make sure KFD has quick access so that they can stop fires before they get out of hand.

STAFF REPORT: Robert Johnson reported that

- There is new playground equipment in Ben Miller Park. The project should be finished by the end of June.
- Shade sales are up at the Big Toy. If anyone sees children playing on them, please talk to their parents.
- Splash fountain will open for the regular schedule when school gets out.
- Regarding the recent grant request from Mark Caillier: 20 picnic tables were built and many have been placed in the park system. The few remaining will be used to replace old/damaged tables.
- Staff works almost every day to remove graffiti, especially in Keizer Rapids Park.

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT: Councilor Kohler invited everyone to the 40th Birthday celebration on June 16-17.

OTHER BUSINESS: Matt Lawyer reported on the recent Soggy Day in the Park event held on Memorial Day weekend. He indicated that since the event was so well attended it may be scheduled for the same time next year.

Matt Lawyer will report to Council June 20.

ADJOURNMENT ~ Meeting adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

Next Meeting: July 11, 2023

Approved: _____

From: [McMillin, America](#)
To: [Lockhart, Debbie](#)
Cc: [Geist, Jude](#)
Subject: FW: Legal Graffiti Wall
Date: Friday, June 23, 2023 7:57:03 AM

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Debbie,

Thank you for contacting us. There is a legal graffiti wall on private property and it is frequently used. This has been going on for many years, and has some amazing artwork. We still get graffiti throughout the system. It's usually the random tags, the simple ones. We do spend a lot of our time on removing those tags. I would say the people who are into graffiti as art don't tag our parks, they do use the wall.

In the late 90's we had graffiti wall on our riverfront park and it was removed in the early 2000's when the park was revamped. From my understanding the wall was frequently used back in the day. But still didn't alleviate the graffiti.

We have had luck with murals throughout the city, they'll get little tags here and there. They are coated with the anti-graffiti coating and they don't seem to be tagged very often. When they are, it's easily cleaned up. But we have to put more anti-graffiti coating on. We also use the anti-graffiti coating on all of our restrooms built with concrete blocks.

I can't say for sure if the graffiti wall eliminates graffiti around town, it just gives those that want to create the art a place to do so. The wall isn't cleaned up, it's just covered over by the next person. Like all things, only the rule followers will use the wall.

I hope this helps, if you have more questions please feel free to contact me.

Have a great weekend
America

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From: P&R Reception (pnradmin) <PRReception@corvallisoregon.gov>
Sent: Thursday, June 22, 2023 10:45 AM
To: Geist, Jude <Jude.Geist@corvallisoregon.gov>; McMillin, America <America.McMillin@corvallisoregon.gov>
Subject: FW: Legal Graffiti Wall

See message below

From: Lockhart, Debbie <LockhartD@keizer.org>
Sent: Thursday, June 22, 2023 10:30 AM
To: P&R Reception (pnradmin) <PRReception@corvallisoregon.gov>
Subject: Legal Graffiti Wall

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Hello, I understand you have a legal graffiti wall and I was wondering if having the wall has had lowered the occurrences of random graffiti in the city. Keizer Parks staff is spending one entire day every week getting rid of graffiti throughout city parks and I was wondering if a wall would help curtail that. Any information you can send me would be appreciated. Thank you!

Debbie Lockhart, MMC
Deputy City Recorder
City of Keizer
503-856-3418

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From: [willie88car](#)
To: [Lockhart, Debbie](#)
Subject: RE: Tagging wall
Date: Thursday, June 22, 2023 9:37:19 AM

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More info -- Google The Color Park in Pittsburgh, PA. Big project there. Corvallis also has a legal graffiti wall. I Googled legal graffiti and a list came up. Some places allow the artists to be arbiters, other places run them differently. Portland is doing some similar things. Tom also suggested contacting local art teachers who might have students who would be interested in helping organize, might know taggers who could help get something going etc. Let me/us know if we can come testify again. We will be out of town 6/26 thru 7/8 but could make the next Parks meeting. I can't remember exactly when your last day is! We are going to miss you!!

Tom's direct email is 82001tja@gmail.com You can contact either of us.

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

----- Original message -----

From: "Lockhart, Debbie" <LockhartD@keizer.org>
Date: 6/22/23 8:33 AM (GMT-08:00)
To: Willie88car <willie88car@gmail.com>
Subject: Tagging wall

Good morning! This email is intended for Tom Homan.

A few years ago you attended a Parks Board meeting and suggested putting a tagging wall in one of our parks. I was thinking with all the time city staff is spending on removing/covering tagging that is occurring all over the city, it might help to have a wall where they are 'allowed' and even encouraged to do their 'artwork'. My question is, do you have more information on other cities that may have done this? Do you know if it was effective in curbing tagging throughout the city where it was put in place? If you have some links or information on this, I would love it if you would share that information. I tried googling different things and find only images... no information about the impact. I hope you can help. I would like to present this to our parks department but don't feel I can have much impact unless I have something to justify it. Any help you can give me would be appreciated. Thank you!

Debbie Lockhart, MMC

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