

## **Friends of Pier Park, May 15, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes**

Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM

### **Attendees:**

Matt Kuntz (Chair)

Keola Morley (Treasurer)

Steve Davis (Secretary)

Allison Parker (Portland Parks)

Sammy McGath (Web Support)

Mac Thurston – Saturday Softball league

Ben Richardson – Saturday Softball League

Roxanne Mahon

Glenn Mahon

### **Portland Parks & Rec Update – Allison.**

- PP&R staff is continuing to work on debris clean up. Wood chippers are scheduled for a day in the coming week to continue working on the piles of downed limbs.
- PBOT will be painting the traffic circle on Iris Way located by the community gardens at the southeast corner of the park.
- Representatives of an off road bicycling group have met with Allison to assess areas of the park that might be used to conduct off road bicycling clinics. They viewed some of the open perimeter areas of the park for potential. Allison will keep FoPP informed regarding follow on activities around this topic.
- The drinking fountain near the playground is out of order. Consideration is being given to procure and install a new fountain before the June end of the fiscal year.

- The replacement for the broken/removed disc golf cash donation box, which might have become available from another park, has been delayed indefinitely. FoPP will consider funding a new replacement collection box. Allison will look into whether PP&R has specifications and approximate costs for such boxes She'll also check on how much revenue was generated from the previous collection box.

### **Solve Earth Day Park Clean Up**

- Despite the heavy rain on Saturday 4/22 approximately 2 dozen volunteers showed up and made good progress on invasive plant removal, downed limb collection and trash pick up. Thanks to all the volunteers, New Seasons Market, Starbucks and ?? muffin provider for providing goodies for the workers.

### **Softball League Fields**

Matt thanked the Saturday Pier Park softball league for having FoPP as a sponsor at their recent fund raiser/talent show held at Fixin' To. Mac and Ben, representing the league, discussed softball field upkeep and possible ways to collaborate with PP&R and FoPP to help maintain the fields. It was noted that the mole tunnels and holes present a significant safety hazard to players. On Saturday 5/20 the members of the league will have a work party to ready the fields for their first day of league play the following week. FoPP noted that the University of Portland service day crews did some work on the lower field in April and can look in future for other such opportunities. Allison offered to have the weekend PP&R staff be available to assist where possible in lending tools etc. for the work party. Mac and Ben

asked if it would be permissible to place a lockable tool bin by the fields during the season so that league members can do ongoing maintenance. Allison will verify and also see if there are any spare bins available from PP&R. Matt thanked Mac and Ben for attending and expressed the hope that future FoPP meetings will have multiple different park user groups attending most meetings.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

- Current Account Balance \$5128
- Oregon Dept of Justice (form CT-12) and U.S. (form 990) annual tax reports were filed on May 9, 2017.
- After last month's approval of funds, the order for FoPP hats, tote bags and mini/marker discs was placed with Heart Mind Soul Screen Printing and Apparel.

### **Outstanding and New Action Items, Open Discussion:**

- create/update a new agreement for sponsors of disc golf hole signs before soliciting sponsors and procuring new signs.
- Steve brought up the confusion many golfers seem to have because the sign at summer hole #3 is still up and the temporary cardboard/tape signs directing players to the winter replacement holes keep getting removed. He volunteered to help move and maintain those. He will contact Allison to work on this with her and also contact Brian, the course representative from Stumptown Disc Golf.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.

