

**City of Hailey
Parks & Lands Board**

**Meeting Minutes
September 14, 2016**

Attending Commissioners: Lamar Waters, Phil Rainey, Janet Fugate, Mark Spencer

Absent: Terry Clark, Darin Sales, Dean Hernandez, Pat Cooley

City of Hailey: Stephanie Cook

Guests: Michelle Griffith, Lisa Horowitz

Call to Order:

Call to order by Waters at 6:10 p.m.

Public Comment:

None

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve minutes for August 3, 2016 by Fugate; second by Rainey; passed unanimously

New Business:

Quigley Dedication- presentation by Lisa Horowitz. This is a county proposal, though has to be to City standards for subdivisions. There will be a total of 129 units in the project; 51 units in phase I. Parks and Lands Board will look at green spaces. There will be a school, which has an agricultural focus that will have a field to plate type of growing and learning. The 1st component is behind Buckhorn Rd- about 7 acres to Blaine County School District and 6 acres of unknown. The idea is to move Nelson Field to Quigley (the ballfield will remain unlit), leave soccer field at Hailey Elementary and the ballfield area go to Werthheimer Park as additional parking (up to 100 parking spaces). The proposed area to move Nelson Field is over a drain field; Lisa suggests there be parking and restrooms added if the ballfield moves. The 2nd component is the smaller spaces which are comprised of bike path connections, bike lanes, Nordic trails and grooming, and Toe of the Hill Trail access. There may be an outdoor amphitheater eventually, but the focus is Phase I at this point. There only needs to be 3.71 acres dedicated to green space; much more space will be dedicated. Lamar asks about the drain field. Lisa says the City suggests connecting the water and sewer or prove that the system is superior. The drain fields can be moved. BCSD will maintain ballfields and BCRD will maintain summer and winter trails. Janet suggests inviting annexation. Would be great to mitigate charges- City gets no impact fees, no property taxes, no building permits and all of the impacts. Lamar likes the idea. Janet wonders the impact of the sports fields. Lisa says restrooms and parking is intended to not over impact neighbors. Janet says that since this is a county project, the Parks and Lands Board doesn't have to have every detail figured out right now, as long as parking issue is address and traffic flow problems are addressed. Lisa suggests to reiterate in the recommendation that the ballfields remain unlit.

Lisa also says the amphitheater is cool, but not in this phase. Janet says the Nordic trails are a benefit to the community. Parking near roundabout, not Deer Field, is needed to accommodate ballfields and events and limit traffic impact. Janet suggests wording be to invite Quigley to seek annexation. Lisa says she and Stephanie will write the letter of recommendation on behalf of the board. Phil asks about parks. Lisa says the school will have a playground, possibly for smaller kids. Maybe suggest in another phase to add a play structure for another age bracket of children. Lisa also mentions Blaine Manor. They are doing their due diligence. Lisa mentions a roundabout on the highway at Cedar St. that would accommodate multiple streets and accesses. A scooter park could be where trees are toward right. This would also clean up Bradford Rd.

Old Business:

ARCH Housing- presented by Michelle Griffith. At the last meeting, the board suggested to develop a clean trailhead. Michelle found the property lines and determined where best access is. The housing will be 2 buildings of 2 units (total of 4 homes) with 1 driveway. Michelle showed the Board a map of the best layout given the area of the lot. Michelle showed that the signage will remain consistent, along with a dog pot and clear access to the trail by constructing a split rail wooden fence with a compacted (possibly crush base) walk way. Lamar says the Board wants to make the recommendation of trailhead access and move forward with the project. Phil is concerned with trail users looking into backyards. He also says verbiage for signage needs to stay within City standards. Janet says signage needs to be at the sidewalk and needs to be noticed. Motion by Janet to recommend the project as it is laid out in the letter; adding a fence on either side of the trail access including walkway with weed barrier underneath, signs at the trail and trailhead, and if the housing project fails then the zoning would return to greenbelt. Second by Phil. Passes unanimously.

Commissioner/Staff Reports:

Balmoral Grant Update – had an open house at Balmoral Park Tuesday September 13th to receive feedback from the community. About 22 community members voted on amenities they would like to see- most popular being splash park, followed by sports field improvements, pavilion with bbq's and play structure.

Memory Tree – the brochure is completed. The plaque will increase in size to be 8"x10", but the footprint will remain the same size.

Walk Around List Update & Maintenance Update – Park crew has 5 things completed on this list including installing garbage cans and painting park benches. The crew will continue to work on the list through the fall. Many maintenance repairs have happened throughout the summer to the irrigation to keep it working efficiently.

Hop Porter Play Structure – we may have a community park day in the spring and do maintenance to the play structure at Hop Porter Park. Janet may have information regarding the install and maintenance of the wooden play structure.

Relocation of Snow Storage – Mariel has applied for a grant with the County (Land, Water & Wildlife Levy Board)

WRLT Overlook Update – County gave approval for the overlook; no dates yet.

Discussion of Topics for Next Agenda:

Keep Balmoral Grant under Staff Reports for updates

Keep Park Walk Around List under Staff Reports

Lamar is interested in Snow Storage- keep this under Staff Reports

Phil asks about terrain park- whether to keep it at Keefer or move it. If dirt pile is at Keefer, it needs to be moved.

Skate Park trash issue- what could deterrents be? Suggestion to have Jeff explain to board what happened- process of what happened and why/ process of closing park

Adjourn:

Motion by Lamar to adjourn the meeting; second by Janet; adjourned at 7:56 p.m.