

Waterfront Recreation Committee Minutes

June 12, 2014 - 10:00 am

Gorge Innoventure

Members in Attendance: Sam Bauer, Cori Collins, Pepi Gerald, Adam Lapierre, Rich McBride, Lori Stirn, and Liz Whitmore

Members Absent: Bill Lake and Greg Stiegel

Liz Whitmore opened the June 12 meeting at 10:08 a.m. No items were added to the agenda.

Committee approved meeting minutes for February 12, 2014.

Event Site Safety

- Committee members in agreement to close the Event Site to launching and landing on Monday, June 16, 2014 as water levels are continuing to decline.
- Concern voiced that Event Site beach on east end is not safe. Signage needs to be bolder warning users of kiteboard activity and that kiteboarders have the right of way.
- Suggestion made that trail map of Port waterfront would be great for businesses to hand out.
- Committee members would like to see kiteboard area cordoned off for the entire season.
- Parks and Rec is interested in locating a dog park somewhere on Port property.

4th of July Planning

- CGKA has agreed to help with volunteers
- Access to sandbar will be closed from the Event Site at 7pm.
- Kite launching and landing will not be permitted from the Event Site grass.

Emergency Access Points

- Emergency access point plan and signage locations were reviewed.

Project Updates (Hook Launch, Bike/Ped Connections, Nichols Basin West Edge)

- Hook Launch is scheduled for construction winter 2014-15. Plan details were reviewed by Committee. Port is waiting to hear on a \$75,000 grant that was applied for.
- Bike/Ped connections at the Pedestrian Bridge are scheduled for spring 2015 construction. Bid documents are currently being developed by engineer.
- Concern was voiced that Port should ensure that waterfront path still happens as currently designed if Naito Development project doesn't happen and property is sold.
- While not official, substantial grant funding from Oregon Parks and Rec is looking very good for the Nichols Basin West Edge project.

The June 12, 2014 meeting was adjourned at 11:16 a.m.

Prepared by Liz Whitmore, 6/25/2014