



Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District  
**ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**Joint Advisory Committee (JAC) meeting**  
**Date: 10/20/21**  
**Time: 6:00 p.m., regular meeting**  
**Location: Virtual/Online via Zoom**

**In Attendance**

Committee Members: Nature & Trails: Margaret Hite, Laura Porter, Sam Scheerens, Sheri Wantland, & James Wright, Alison Rhea, Katy Brumbelow  
Programs & Events: Miguel Tendo, Ralph Becker, Rebecca Cambreleng, Victor Li  
Parks & Facilities: Tricia Lance, Carl Nelson, & Alaka Sarangdhar, Ken Ratterree, Kristen Abele, Michael Riedel

Board liaison(s): Alfredo Moreno, Barbie Minor,  
Staff: Bruce Barbarasch, Holly Thompson, Keith Watson, Mark Pierce, Cindy Dauer

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Members reviewed the minutes from the April Joint Advisory Committee meeting and approved the minutes as presented. Members then reviewed the minutes from the July Joint Advisory Committee meeting and approved them with one edit.

**2. District Update**

Holly Thompson provided an update on district activities. She reviewed the district's revised operating plan, staffing/hiring challenges, and district values and priorities.

**3. Emergency Management Update**

Mark Pierce, Safety Services Manager, provided an update on the district's emergency management work. He discussed the district's support of parent reunification in case a Beaverton School District school were to be evacuated. He discussed work staff are doing to support and partner on severe weather shelter events. He discussed the district's joining the Washington County Hazard Mitigation Plan. And he discussed a new partnership with PGE that the district developed in 2021 that saw THPRD locations identified as cooling centers during power outages.

**4. Conestoga Construction Project**

Tim Bonnin gave an overview on the Conestoga pool project. Improvements are being made to the changing rooms at the pool as well as a much-needed replacement of the pool deck. Additional changing areas that are universally accessible have been incorporated into the design. The project budget is around \$2 Million. The project was awarded in June and the contractor started in August. It is projected to be completed by the end of January 2022.

**5. Grant Support Request**

Cindy Dauer presented on a request for a letter of support for a bridge replacement at Commonwealth Lake Park. Focus of the project is the bridge and weir. The weir and bridge are at the end of their useful lives. Need to replace the structures. Project outcomes will preserve the recreational integrity of the park, improve

accessibility of the pathway and remove tripping hazards, and retain ability to adjust water levels in the lake. Need Letter of Support for a federal grant of \$600,000 from the Land and Water Conservations Fund this would cover half of the cost of the project. Hoping each advisory committee will consider supporting the letter. Committee members agreed.

**6. Challenge Grant Process Changes**

Bruce Barbarasch presented on the district's Advisory Committee Grant Program guidelines. Typically the district budget's \$30,000 in funding for advisory committee grants. The guidelines were updated this year to be expand the scope of projects available to be funded. Applications must be submitted to committee liaisons by September for consideration.

**7. Wrap Up and Transition to Committee Meetings**

Meeting adjourned at 7 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Holly Thompson (THPRD Staff)