

Parks CPC Meeting

May 1, 2023

Molalla City Hall

**Meeting called to order: 5:40p**

**In attendance: Jody, Crystal, Tina, Nicole**

**Discussion**

**Camping Ordinance Discussion:**

- Brief Summary of HB3115
  - “Right to Rest” Law
  - State Law enforcing Martin VS Boise
- City Council has only discussed there has not been anything set in place
- Measure 110 plays into the issues of the unhoused
  - If someone sees something – say something
  - Call in events or issues witnessed as soon as they are witnessed
  - Drug usage / possession is still illegal and one can be cited
  - Quantity of amounts a person can carry may lead to citations
  - Drug Dealing is and remains illegal
    - See it / Call it
  - To see movement on being able to show the negative impact and increase criminalization of Measure 110 can only be done with Data. Community needs to make calls for our Police Chief and Police Department to collect necessary data.
- Areas of concern:
  - Ivor Davis is a larger problem because of areas hidden from patrol
  - Clark Park and Boelander Field are an issue due to summer events, rodeo, 4<sup>th</sup> of July, etc
    - Sports and Youth Sports use the ball fields
    - Dangerous to students and children organizations whom use these parks
  - Fox Park
    - Most population
    - Splash Pad
    - New equipment
    - Local Daycares use park
    - Why put money into parks if they will be a “rest” destination?
  - Long “Fire Station” Park

- Local daycares use park
- Talks of a new Pickle Ball Court
- Possibility of allowed RV Camping on Private Property
  - Could help the unhoused in the city
- City does not necessarily need to designate a certain area – rules/regulations may be an option as well. For example: prohibited to be near (blank) within (blank) amount of feet.
- Some of the unhoused in Molalla are looking for an opening to better themselves
  - A starting point
  - Guidance
  - Drugs are not always the issue
    - Help is needed prior to drugs being introduced.
- Silverton opening a 24-Hour Center to help houseless

**Parks CPC Recommendation:**

**If a location is designated – CPC would like to designate Rotary Park**

- New Code officer will be added to Molalla City Team
  - Help with ongoing community concerns
- Fundraising:
  - Garage Sale Yo-Yo
    - Have garage sale at separate locations
    - Garage Sale goers would visit each sale and receive a ticket
    - Ticket would be used as an entry into Raffle for a “gift basket”
    - Two locations
      - Location 1: Garage Sale/ Drinks/ Popcorn
      - Location 2: Garage Sale/ Popsicles/ Food
      - When: July 27-29<sup>th</sup>
    - Begin collecting items for Garage Sale
    - Reach out to local neighborhoods such as Big Meadows, Stoneplace, etc to get the word out to the community.
      - Community outreach will be key!
  - Celebrate Molalla – August 26<sup>th</sup>
    - Carnival Theme
    - Separate Booths
    - Main Ticket Booth
    - Ideas: Face Painting, Balloon Animals, Snow Cones, Candy
    - Games: Fishing, Toss, Pop-Balloons, Hand-Punch
      - Reach out to local churches to sponsor a game

- We will need volunteers to make it a success
- An abundance of volunteers could mean only half-day volunteer time slots
- Todos Juntos – Family Recourse Event (Have not reached out to Todos Juntos – a mere idea)
  - Create a flyer of who and what Park CPC is/does
  - If we cannot make an appearance at the event – possibility to leave flyers or information with someone?
    - Molalla Current
    - Park Map
- Updates:
  - Knife River
    - Donation for Pickleball Court
    - Possible donation
  - Benches
    - When will they arrive?
    - ETA
  - Jody met with Artist at Strawberry Park (contact introduced by previous Councilor Klein)
    - Discussed items such as:
      - Metal Fencing with interactive strawberries
      - Strawberry ‘wrap-around’ at Water Filler Station
      - Interactive wall
      - Leaf or strawberry designs
- Quanex
  - Jody reached out for possibility of donations
  - Conversation has been opened

**Meeting Closed at 7:10p**