



MEETING MINUTES

North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District
District Advisory Committee
Wednesday, February 12, 2025
5:30 – 7:00 p.m.
Location: North Clackamas Aquatic Park and Virtually (via Zoom)

DAC Members Present: Grover Bornefeld (Subarea 1), Mark Elliott, Anatta Blackmarr (Subarea 2), Jeanette DeCastro, Sheila Shaw (Subarea 3), Joshua Fisher, Daniel Diehl (Subarea 4), Lisa Batey, Ali Feuerstein (Subarea 5), Joel Bergman (Milwaukie Community Center Advisory Board)

Members Absent: None

Staff, Officials, and Guest Speakers Present: Paul Savas (Clackamas County Commissioner), Kia Selley (NCPRD Director), Erin Reome (NCPRD Planning & Development Director), Kallie Guentner (NCPRD Financial Services Supervisor, Camille Trummer (Interplay)

A recording of this meeting is available on the NCPRD website at <https://ncprd.com/public-meetings/meeting-minutes>

- I. **Call to Order** - DAC meeting was called to order by DAC Vice-Chair, Mark Elliott. A quorum was present.
- II. **Action Items**
 - a. Approval of DAC Meeting Summary
 - i. The summary from the DAC meeting held on January 8, 2025, was approved as presented.
- III. **Discussion Agenda**
 - a. Refine Group Agreements and Protocols (Camille Trummer, Interplay)
 - i. Camille provided an overview of the group agreements that were drafted by the DAC members during the January DAC meeting. A copy of the drafted group agreements was included in the February agenda packet. The group agreements included a list of challenges, agreements in response to the challenges, and resources/tools.
 - ii. Camille recommended that if an item comes up that requires a larger discussion, it should be tabled and submitted to the Chair/Vice-Chair to be added to a future agenda to allow enough time to discuss and to prepare information as needed.
 - iii. Camille recommended a feedback form for DAC members and/or public to submit questions/feedback to NCPRD staff. This could also be a tool used to submit requests to have topics appear on a future agenda.
 - b. Fiscal Year 2025-26 Requested Budget Update (Kallie Guentner and Kia Selley)
 - i. The Fiscal Year 2025-26 Budget Update covered the following:
 1. Budget Structure
 2. NCPRD Budget FY 24-25: \$61.5 million
 3. FY 24-25 Projections – Revenues
 4. FY 24-25 Projections - Expenses

5. Budget Strategies – FY 25-26: Opportunities to increase revenues and opportunities to decrease expenses.
6. Key Challenges
7. Public Budget Calendar

IV. DAC Member Reports

- a. Sheila Shaw (Subarea 3) – Sheila requested feedback from DAC members to share with the NCPRD Budget Committee before the next Budget Committee Meeting scheduled for February 19.
- b. Lisa Batey (Subarea 5) – Saturday, March 8 will be the grand opening for the City of Milwaukie's three new parks.
- c. Daniel Diehl (Subarea 4) – Errol Heights Park (which is not an NCPRD park, but is just outside NCPRD boundaries near subarea 4) is hosting a cleanup event on Saturday. RSVP through the Johnson Creek Watershed Council.
- d. Ali Feuerstein (Subarea 5) – The City of Milwaukie is now Bee City affiliate. This means there are initiatives in Milwaukie to create more pollinator pathways. Encouraged other subareas to participate as well.
- e. Anatta Blackmarr (Subarea 2) – Stringfield Family Park has a Pollinator event every year. Requested a brief refresh on pesticides used in NCPRD parks. Residents have been requesting benches at Rivervilla Park. At the Concord Property, recommended installing a bench in a specific spot for viewing the sunset. Retiring at the end of June, subarea 2 will have a vacancy to fill. New Century Players would like to be considered for events at both community centers.
- f. Grover Bornefeld (Subarea 1) – Subarea 1, 2 or 3 will all have vacancies in June. Hosting a Mason Bee Cocoon cleaning party at his house this weekend.
- g. Joel Bergman (Milwaukie Community Center Advisory Board) – Bee City USA for Milwaukie is outstanding. Encouraged everyone to get involved.
- h. Mark Elliott (Subarea 2) – Turned in a report for damage that was done at Risley Park and the issue with fixed the same day.
- i. Josh Fisher (Subarea 4) – Gave a shout out to subarea 1 near Alma Myra Park. His daughter lost a stuffed animal there and the neighbors around the park were very supportive in finding her toy.
- j. Jeanette DeCastro (Subarea 3) – No update today, but the next CPO meeting will be April 7 on Zoom.

V. District Monthly Report

- a. **Justice Property Acquisition** – There was a parcel for sale adjacent to the Justice Property located at 13849 SE 122nd Avenue. Unfortunately, that property has been purchased by a private developer. NCPRD staff pursued acquisition of this parcel before it was available for purchase on the open market, but NCPRD's offer was not accepted. A private developer now owns the property and it is currently under design for redevelopment.
- b. **System Plan Flyer** – The consultant team has updated the NCPRDSystemPlan.com webpage with the recently completed assessment work, the final survey report and a new engagement tool to collect community feedback on priority areas and enhancement projects. The online engagement tool will remain live through the end of this month (February). The consultant team will be in person at the next DAC meeting on March 12 to present the latest plan concepts.
- c. **Concord Property** – Construction continues at the Concord Property and is still on track for a grand reopening this fall, likely in October. Finishes and materials for the community center interior are being selected.
- d. **Lunar Near Year Celebration** – NCPRD hosted this annual event in late January with over 550 attendees at the Milwaukie Community Center.
- e. **Spring Programming** – Registration is now open.
- f. **Design and Dinner Social Event** – NCPRD hosted its first Design and Dinner Social event with over 120 attendees. Participants learned about districtwide initiatives and projects, and had the opportunity to provide input on recreation programming for both the Milwaukie Community Center and future Concord Community Center.

- g. **Updated Fees** – The Board approved updated fees effective July 1, 2025. NCPRD hasn't had fees approved since 2022. This is based on a Board approved policy last fall to allow for a fee increase of up to 3% each year to align with the CPI. If the CPI is less than 3%, then the fee increase would be less than 3%, but fees would never go above 3% unless we intentionally asked the Board for approval of those specific fees, which we did ask for approval of increases over 3%. NCPRD will publish those new fees this spring for summer programming.
- h. **Quarterly Board of Directors Meeting** – February 26, 2025 at the Aquatic Park. We will welcome two new board members: Chair Roberts and Director Fireside.
- i. **Staff Recognition Letter** – NCPRD received a recognition letter from a resident who highlighted the extraordinary staff at the Aquatic Park.

VI. **Public Comment**

- a. Lynn Cutsforth – Recommends not prioritizing the development of Justice Property Park.

From: [Colleen Rockwell](#)
To: [NCPRD - District Advisory Committee](#)
Subject: Milwaukie is a Bee City USA affiliate!
Date: Tuesday, February 11, 2025 7:39:37 PM

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DAC members and staff,

The city of Milwaukie is now a Bee City USA affiliate. An initiative of the Xerces Society, Bee City USA affiliation provides a framework for city staff and community members to work together to conserve native pollinators by increasing the abundance of native plants, providing nest sites, and reducing the use of pesticides.

The city of Milwaukie will be hosting public awareness activities to advocate for pollinators by providing healthy habitats rich in a variety of native plants and free of pesticides when possible.

Below is the Milwaukie Pilot's writeup in the February Issue.

"City Council voted in September 2024

to become a Bee City USA, joining many other cities and campuses across the country that are united in improving their landscapes for pollinators. This

designation is the culmination of months of effort by the Rotary Club of Milwaukie, Historic Milwaukie Neighborhood District Association, Park & Recreation Board and city staff.

Bee City USA is an initiative of the Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation. The goal is to galvanize communities to sustain pollinators by providing them with healthy habitat, rich in a variety of native plants and free of insecticides. Pollinators, such as bees, butterflies, moths, beetles, flies, hummingbirds, and many others are responsible for the reproduction of almost 90% of the world's flowering plant species, and one in every three bites of food humans consume.

To maintain the Bee City USA status, the city will host public awareness activities, provide signage and web links, prepare an annual report about habitat enhancement activities, and maintain a committee (Parks & Recreation Board) to work with the community about pollinator conservation. For more information, visit www.beecityusa.org."

Colleen Rockwell

Bee City Committee

Resident within DAC sub-area 2