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2 CITY OF COOS BAY  
3 PARKS COMMISSION MINUTES OF  
4 September 20, 2016

5 **Members Present:** Chair, Christine Coles, Ariann Lyons, Carmen Mathews,  
6 Bill Otton and Ralph Mohr.

7 **Members Absent:** Bev Meyers, Patty Scott and Tom Leahy

8 **Staff Present:** Randy Dixon, Operations Administrator, Pam Patton

9 **Guests Present:**

10 **Location:** Mingus Park – Pavilion at south end of park  
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13 **CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL / APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

14 Chair Christine Coles called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. The chair then asked for a motion  
15 to approve the minutes of July 14th.

16 **Motion:** Ariann motioned to accept the minutes of July 14th as written

17 **Seconded:** Christine

18 **Vote:** Aye, Unanimous. Minutes approved as written.  
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20 **\*\*Unfortunately there was a malfunction with the recorder and no audio was  
21 obtained. The minutes will be a summation from written notes taken by staff.**  
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23 **UPDATE –**

24 - Mingus Pond

25 1.) Need to dredge the pond with stagnant water on top preventing aeration. With technology  
26 and innovative equipment, Randy thought an outfit in Tennessee would be a good fit for the  
27 task. Winter waters will help in moving the flow. Currently, the city's plate is full regarding  
28 grants and the need for capital for matching funds.

29 - Mingus Pool Projects

30 1.) We took a little tour to see the new tile work in the restroom dressing rooms. We all  
31 thought it looked very nice. Partitions were ordered as they had a long lead time for the order  
32 so they decided to go with something that was in stock so the install wouldn't be delayed with  
33 additional downtime for the pool. Ralph was concerned with schedules for adult swimmers.  
34 Randy will confer with Kathy regarding the remaining work to be done in the spring of 2017.  
35 PR will go out next August when the entire project is completed.

36 - Bridge Replacement

37 1.) Randy had handouts: Map of the Empire Lake and the structure, "concrete footbridge  
38 abutment." Randy will seek a grant for engineering services for the abutments, approximately  
39 200 LF required for the two stand towers. The manufacturer, Gator Bridge, makes units that  
40 come in 50-foot lengths. He is looking at SWOCC for that grant which will be in the range of  
41 20,000 to 50,000. We have to consider capital grants and matching dollars. The project will be  
42 at \$225,000 to \$250,000.

43 - Exercise Equipment for John Topits Park

44 1.) Prep work for excavation, marking area at work site. The need to look at material used for  
45 fall protection. Playground requirements have become very stringent for all new ADA  
46 equipment. An order for the equipment will be placed.  
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48 - City Dock/Boardwalk Master Plan  
49 1.) Randy handed out an email from Jim Hossley and Rodger Craddock summarizing  
50 council's outlook on the endeavor. The City had ZCS Engineering do a feasibility study on the  
51 commercial use with restrooms. We should hear results at tonight's council meeting.  
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53 **COMMISSIONERS CLOSING COMMENTS –**

54 Both Bill and Carmen liked the “park visits.” Carmen would like the commission to be active in  
55 the park visits by doing walk arounds and litter patrol.

56 Ralph was impressed with the Blossom Gulch project. He thought it was handled very well with  
57 little disruption to surrounding neighbors.

58 Ariann expressed comments from her out of state clients and how astonished they are that our  
59 parks are free to enjoy.

60 Carmen thanked Randy for working with Jean on the removal of ivy and holly in Mingus Park.

61 Randy will look into doing a reminder in the Friday Update about the no smoking policy in our  
62 parks. As well as updating the commission on a quarter basis regarding smoking and park  
63 enforcement.

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65 Next meeting to be the foyer at Mingus Pool.


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67 **ADJOURNMENT**

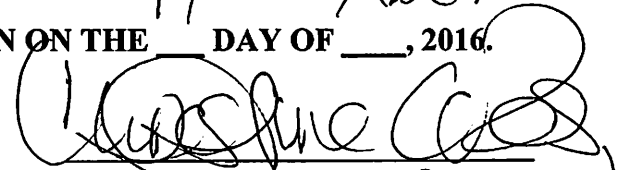
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69 **There being no further business to come before the Parks Commission, by**  
70 **consensus of the Parks Commission, Chair adjourned the meeting at 1:00 p.m.**

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72 Respectfully Submitted,

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74 Pamela Patton,  
75 Public Works

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77 **APPROVED BY THE PARKS COMMISSION ON THE** 17<sup>th</sup> Nov. **DAY OF** Nov. **, 2016.**

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84 Pamela Patton, Staff

  
Christine Coles, Chair  
