

1 **Clatsop County Recreational Lands Planning and Advisory Committee**
2 **Regular Meeting**

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4 **MINUTES**

5
6 **Thursday, February 29th, 2024**

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8 Members Present: Brad Catton (BC), Tom Sayre (TS), Lynne Leland (LL), Steve Ferguson (SF),

9 Member Absent: Mike Hinton (MH)

10 Commissioner Liaisons Present: None

11 Public Present: None

12 Staff Present: Steve Meshke (SM), Erica Keyser (EK)

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14 **Welcome and Call to Order**

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16 Chairperson BC called the committee meeting to order at 1300.

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18 **Agenda Approval**

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20 Agenda was approved.

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22 **Minutes**

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24 The minutes for December 7, 2023 were approved as presented.

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26 **Board of Commissioners Annual Letter**

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28 BC will provide a draft letter by the next meeting.

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30 **Committee Nominations**

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32 TS nominated Brad Catton for Committee Chair and Lynne Leland for Committee Vice Chair.

33 SF second for BC and BC second for LL. Unanimously approved.

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35 **Public Comment**

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37 None

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39 **Parks Report**

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41 SM shared Westport County Park has new park hosts. They have signed a one-year contract
42 and are seasoned hosts with many years of experience. As weather improves, hopefully more
43 fill dirt can be delivered to the day-use area. SM is requesting the \$200,000 unused budgeted
44 funds for this area improvement be carried over to FY 2024-25 to complete the playground.

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46 The Cullaby Lake Park transient dock (nearest to the bathroom) received maintenance. Parks
47 and Public Works employees removed the dock to replace the flotation and dock bumpers.

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49 In the last few months, parks staff have surveyed the foot bridges and installed field fencing on
50 surfaces for traction. SM will check on the progress for recreational immunity outcomes.

1 SM shared the Parks budget draft for FY 2024-25. Group had a discussion on the budget and
2 what to expect for certain requests. One request is a parks maintenance software program to
3 help staff with maintenance schedules and workorders. SM will apply for grants to help fund
4 some of the requests.

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6 Group had a short discussion on the Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP). TS questions why he
7 has not seen publication if the State of Oregon or Governor will do more to help Clatsop County
8 financially? SF asked, has the county considered pulling county timberland back from the
9 State's holding?

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11 **Committee Member Reports**

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13 LL: none

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15 TS: City of Astoria is requesting a grant from Oregon State Parks recreation trails program to
16 improve the Cathedral Tree Trail improvements.

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18 BC: None

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20 SF: None

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22 **Commissioner Report**

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26 **Next Meeting**

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28 March 28, 2024

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30 **Adjourn**

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32 As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1410
33 Respectfully Submitted,

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36 Brad Catton, Chair