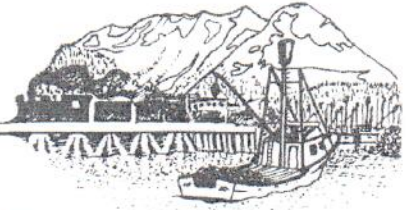


CITY OF CORDOVA



**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
WORK SESSION,
MASTER PLAN REVIEW OF ODIAK POND / HOLLIS HENDRICHS**

**TUESDAY APRIL 30th, 2019
6:00 PM / COMMUNITY ROOM B / CORDOVA CENTER**

AGENDA

Commission Chair

Wendy Ranney

Commission Members

Karen Hallquist, Marvin VanDenBroek, Anne Schaefer, Dave Zastrow, Ryan Schuetzy, Kirsti Jurica

Parks and Recreation Director

Susie Herschleb

Administrative Assistant

vacant

Cordova Parks and Recreation is essential for providing and fostering Parks, Programs and Facilities for all in pursuit of a healthy sustainable community.

- A. CALL TO ORDER**
- B. ROLL CALL:** Wendy Ranney, Karen Hallquist, Marvin VanDenBroek, Anne Schaefer, Dave Zastrow, Ryan Schuetzy, Kirsti Jurica, Susie Herschleb,
- C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- D. VISITOR COMMUNICATIONS**
Regarding Agenda Items
- E. CONSENT CALENDAR**
- F. REPORTS**
- G. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
 - 1. Review and discussion of the Parks and Rec. Dept. 10-year Master Plan for Odiak Pond /Hollis Henrichs Park
- H. NEW BUSINESS**
- I. PENDING AGENDA**
- J. COMMISSION COMMENTS**
- K. ADJOURNMENT**

Hollis Hendrich's Park Master Plan 1st Review (minutes from the 8.23.18 meeting)

- Item discussed: Pavilion being rebuilt?
Hand rails put on platform
Possible partnership with canneries for new soccer goals and possibly sand pits for volleyball

--It was assigned to Commissioners to visit the Park before the next meeting in order to review the area and be better able to discuss needs and priorities.

Hollis Hendrich's Memorial Park / Odiak Pond:

Classification: Community Park / Natural Resource Area

Odiak Pond:

- **Be an active partner in the restoration of this watershed.** *Odiak Pond and boardwalk area is used as an outdoor classroom. In 2010 the Copper River Watershed Project and the Cordova Jr/Sr High School 7th grade class worked to have Odiak Pond and Watershed placed in the State of Alaska Anadromous Waters Catalogue. The Parks and Recreation Department will partner with the Copper River Watershed Project and others (ADEC, Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game, Ecotrust, National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, Native Village of Eyak, Prince William Sound Science Center, United States Fish and Wildlife Service, USFS Cordova and Glacier Ranger Districts and the USFS Prince William Sound Resources Advisory Committee) to restore this watershed.*

Our shared goals are as follows:

- *Treatment of invasive weeds in the pond and surrounding areas.*
- *Establishment of native plant gardens.*
- *Strategic placement of native plants to provide a natural storm water filter.*
- *Cleaner water.*
- *More coho salmon spawning in the stream.*
- *Continued monitoring and upkeep of area by Cordova students.*

Parks and Recreation Dept. goals through this active partnership:

- *Continue to research how to properly deal with watershed traveling through the capped landfill (Hollis H. Park) and into the pond. Seek funding after a determination has been reached.*
- *Continue to research how to properly deal with the sand and grit left behind from the snow dump on the property. Currently much of the sand and grit inadvertently ends up in the pond and has a negative impact on the water quality. Seek funding when a determination has been reached.*
- *Continue to work on establishing a water quality maintenance program for the Parks Maintenance team. Currently the Copper River Watershed Project is accessing water quality and the pond in a number of ways. The goal is to establish our roll in assisting to monitor water quality for years to come.*

- **Construct a hand rail of the board walk / Redesign and rebuild the railing on the Odiak Pond pavilion:** *The Commission feels that a handrail should be added to the Odiak Pond*

board walk. Research and consider materials that can stand up to our climate and vandalism, since it is prevalent on the board walk and pavilion. Consider a design that limits youth from climbing on the handrail.

The stock railing that came with the pavilion that was placed in Odiak pond in 1992 is perpetually vandalized. A new design should be developed that does not use vertical spindles that are easily kicked out. It will be important to preserve the aesthetic value of this site when developing a new design.

- **Consider a spur trail heading east to have views of salmon creek.** *There will be tremendous effort over the next year (2014-2015) to improve Salmon habitat in this portion of the pond through a grant obtained by the Copper River Watershed Project to remove a box culvert to restore Salmon habitat and enhance this area of the pond. The idea of adding a spur trail to view this Salmon creek after these improvements would improve this property.*

MASTER PLAN WORKSHEET: _____

(name of property)

Your personal goals for the property: Take a moment to write down what you envision happening to this property over the next 10 years.

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Group discussion / combined goals listed in priority:

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HOT TOPICS: These are ideas or improvements that have developed from this review that could potentially be executed within the 2019 operating budget (\$1,000.00 or less).

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MASTER PLAN WORKSHEET: Odiak Pond / Hollis Henrichs Park

(name of property)

Your personal goals for the property: Take a moment to write down what you envision happening to this property over the next 10 years.

Directors thoughts...

1. Replace the dilapidated grassy field pavilion with the Nirvana Park pavilion and recreate a covered picnic area for the public. The old pavilion provided an event venue for multiple organizations; the Cordova Runners Club / Alaska Salmon Runs finish line and pre-race meeting spot, Trident seafoods employee picnic / Copper Valley Wireless annual picnic / SRTS Bike Rodeo... I place this in highest priority, because I think with a new and improved, covered picnic area, more public and private events will happen there. The area surrounding the old pavilion was improved prior to the roof blowing off. It will be a very attractive meeting place once it is replaced. I envision a gravel bottom and potentially moving one of the grills under the pavilion & raised flower beds around the perimeter filled with hearty perennials (low maintenance). Perhaps consider a removable way to hang custom made canvas weather walls for events that are scheduled during bad weather.
2. Sand volleyball court construction; a close second in priority. Ultimately however, I believe having the covered picnic area will appeal to a greater number of community members and visitors. The construction of a sand volleyball court will just add to the appeal and perhaps spawn new community events; like a sand volleyball tournament with beer garden & brat roast (under the pavilion!). Furthermore, I place this second in priority because I believe the drainage system, we would construct in conjunction with the volleyball court could potentially affect the trail. I do not think that it would adversely affect the trail, but we would/could build the trail knowing exactly what to do with the trail (either build around it or incorporate the trail in some way with the drain already in place.
3. Trail encompassing entirety of Odiak Pond and spur trail to spawning grounds (on hillside below Copper River Hwy) I provided a picture of the culvert running under the Copper River Hwy from the slough. We discussed building the trail up and over the culvert; I support this, more so, than some form of bridge across the wetland.
4. Rebuild the raised bed that surrounds the anchor displayed next to the Welcome to Cordova sign. Add some perennial plantings to increase the aesthetics around our Welcome sign.
5. Relevel /redrive boardwalk
- 5.5 Build handrail. I would not build a handrail prior to redriving & releveling boardwalk
6. Continue to be an active partner in the restoration of this watershed.

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1. Contact Canneries for new soccer goals as well as potential donations for volleyball courts and a covered, public picnic area. Develop conceptual drawings of the soccer area, volleyball court & new covered picnic area & schedule meeting to present ideas.
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Susie Herschleb

From: Micah Renfeldt
Sent: Monday, April 29, 2019 3:30 PM
To: Susie Herschleb
Subject: Hollis Henrichs Master Plan Priorities

Good Afternoon,

Our priorities would be the following:

- 1) Sand volleyball court construction
- 2) Reconstruction of steel gazebo currently at Parks and Rec shop for:
 - a. Greenhouse for community garden or;
 - b. Picnic/Recreation area
- 3) Trail encompassing entirety of Odiak Pond and spur to spawning grounds
- 4) Exterior spot lighting for flag pole
- 5) Handrail for boardwalk
- 6) Re-level/re-drive pile at boardwalk

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