

Rainier Economic Development Council

Minutes

October 21, 2013

6:30 p.m.

Rainier City Hall

106 West "B" Street

Rainier, OR 97048

Meeting called to Order at 6:32 p.m.

Board Present: Judith Taylor, Sloan Nelson, William Vilardi, David Sills, Scott Cooper, Steve Massey

Board Absent: Jim Bradfield

Motion by Scott, 2nd by Bill to approve the payables as presented, totaling \$21,070.33

Passed Unanimously

Motion by David, 2nd by Steve to approve the Jun 27, 2013 budget hearing and regular meeting minutes

Passed unanimously with David Sills and Sloan Nelson abstaining.

Discussion – Volleyball Court Project:

An update was given by Scott. He said he has been communicating with Tina regularly by email. The needed sand has been located at the coast of less than three thousand dollars but Tina is still trying to find a better price on trucking. She has one price now at \$6,500 but it was recommended that she try to get a bid under five thousand because then the project could just move forward. Otherwise, the council would need three bids.

Three attempts have been made to plant the poles and the foundation for those poles which will require an assessment, concrete and rebar, and is quite an involved aspect of the project but one of the volleyball players is also involved in the concrete business and is specking out how the foundation for the poles should be set up. There is quite a bit of concrete and rebar involved. They have also been working with another volleyball group that has equipment they will donate to assist with completing the volleyball court and not just the concrete work.

It was expressed that Tina is making strong effort and control of the project should be kept with Tina and her group simply because they are the people who understand what the end result is going to look like. Right now they are just trying to get the best price they can. They probably want it more than anyone does as far as having a court here not only for the adults but for the children so Scott was comfortable with the progress being made. The first attempt to work on setting the poles was interrupted because the equipment got pulled away. The other two times were foiled by the weather.

The question was asked if the project would be completed by spring. Scott could not give a definitive completion time but again expressed confidence that Tina and her group would put forth every effort possible to have the courts finished before summer. He reminded that with volunteer time and equipment we have to appreciate what they can get done.

Question was brought up regarding the parameter and it was noted that the police marker signs are mostly gone. Scott asked Darlene if she would take that to Debbie when she is back to see if public works could re rope off the area.

It was discussed that at some point, when the lake could be scraped out, top soil would be put down over as much area as possible and planting could be done. It was suggested that a sprinkler system should be engineered and put in before the top soil is put down so that it wouldn't have to be disturbed once down and extra cost might be avoided. A sprinkler system could be done at any time, even during the winter. It was thought that the cost of a sprinkler system might be shared with the City at possibly a 50/50 match. There was discussion over whether the sprinkler system should be engineered. The benefit would be that in obtaining bids, all would be based on the same plan and material, allowing fair "apples to apples" comparisons.

It was stated that excavating around the volleyball courts will need to be done but can't be completed until the poles have been set.

Discussion – Park Power and Lighting: There was a consensus that power and lighting are definitely needed for the park for numerous reasons including, but not limited to, Rainier Days in the Park, Saturday market, volleyball court lighting and trail lighting. The question was asked if the council would be willing to move forward even if the cost were to be as much as thirty thousand just for the transformer pole. It was agreed they would and Bill was asked if he would be willing to come up with a scope of work and some numbers for completing the project. Bill agreed.

Discussion – B Street: The design work is being wrapped up and finalized. The project is shrinking and involves acquisition of property. They are trying to come up with a number that both parties can live with. That's the hold-up. Two properties have been done. There is just one left.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Judith Taylor, President

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Steve Massey, Secretary

Date _____