

## **Minutes – Wilton Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting**

December 2, 2024 – Gavin Park

**Present:** Ken Bishop, Kellie Milne, Andrea Glogowski, Bob Garrett, Brent Pollack, Sara Bogardus, Debbie Hummell

**Absent:** Trey Bodkin, Mark Dailey

Before the meeting was called to order, the Commission heard from Wilton resident Debbie Hummell, who is generally interested in trails and parks around Wilton, including walking to Gavin Park and/or Graphite Range and how she can be involved. Debbie was in attendance for the rest of the meeting.

**Meeting called to order** at 7:04PM

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Andrea Glogowski to approve the minutes from the November 4th meeting, second by Brent Pollack, minutes were approved.

**Director's report:** The Director's report was reviewed by all with an overview given by Ken Bishop.

**Old Business:** Ken Bishop advised Wendy Mahaney of John Lant's desire to appoint another person to the Commission and to keep the Commission at 9 members. Wendy left the meeting and is therefore not listed as present. The Commission advised Wendy that should a resignation arise, the Commission would welcome her to apply again.

Andrea Glogowski advised that 10 more responses on the survey were received. The survey has since been closed.

Mark Dailey provided updates to Ken Bishop before the meeting which Ken then read to the Commission. Ken Bishop advised that he and Mark Dailey have a planned meeting in December with Steve Ovitt, professional trails builder and Ryan Riper, Town Engineer to discuss the Forest Grove trails planning and phases.

Brent Pollack provided an update that the zip lines at Gavin Park are planned for implementation by Spring 2025.

Ken Bishop provided an update on the planned joint trails meeting, of which his contact due to present would like to wait until the House calendar is finalized, most likely in mid-February.

The Commission discussed the candidate that John Lant has elected to join the Commission and would like more information. The Commission noted concern that the candidate was elected without meeting the other Commission members and going through the same assessments that prior Commission members had done. Additionally, the Commission notes that the candidate Wendy Mahaney should have been presented to the Town Board simultaneously with the additional candidate. Ken Bishop to follow up to obtain more information.

The Commission discussed attendance at Town Board meetings within 2025 and finalized the below schedule. The schedule is listed by quarter, but can be attended during any month within a quarter and will be decided upon as necessary:

Q1: Andrea Glogowski, Ken Bishop, and Sara Bogardus

Q2: Bob Garrett and Mark Dailey

Q3: Kellie Milne and Trey Bodkin

Q4: Brent Pollack, new Commission member

**New Business:** The Commission notes the Gavin Park Tree Lighting scheduled for Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. Multiple Commission members plan to attend.

Bob Garret gave an overview on the Jones Rd/Carr Rd hearing held on 11/18. Bob shares that some residents were unhappy with changes. Wilton leadership is looking at different designs and methods.

The Commission elected officers for 2025. Kellie Milne made the motion to elect Ken Bishop as Chairperson and Mark Dailey as Vice Chairperson of the Commission, second by Sara Bogardus, all in favor.

Kellie Milne to send Andrea Glogowski the Town's website contact to remove the survey link as the survey is now closed.

**Next Meeting:** Monday, January 6th.

**Adjourn:** A motion was made by Andrea Glogowski to adjourn at 7:39pm, second by Bob Garrett.

**Respectfully submitted:**

Kellie Milne