

KAREN HORNADAY PARK  
Committee Meeting Minutes  
February 7, 2013

Co-Chair Ralph Broshes called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

Members present: Trish Lillibridge, Phil Needham, Marti McCleery, Jack Wiles and Deb Lowney

Minutes from the December 8<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved.

Visitor-Public Works Director Carey Meyer

Deb Lowney started the meeting off by making the statement that the new pavilion construction is not dependant on the removal of the old pavilion. The new pavilion will be placed alongside the old.

Pavilion discussion:

**1. Old pavilion removal and new placement**

Phil stated that it would be more cost effective to move the old pavilion in one piece then to have it taken apart. The new placement has been decided upon per Angie with Public Works.

**2. New pavilion design**

Jack commented that he thought the taller part of roof line should be open to the Bay. As drawn in the sketches by Deb Lowney, the roofline follows the Bay so that the pavilion from the playground does not obstruct the view.

Phil offered a recommendation to have a ridge line down the center of the middle area running north to south at about 13-15 feet and having it slope out the side wings down to about 8-9 feet. This would leave the middle area open toward the bay and the view.

Also discussed the size, all agreed the need for it to be bigger. Extend center area to 20x20 with each wing measuring 10x20.

**3. Construction materials**

A timber frame structure with a concrete slab floor, gravel pad around the fire pit, and either gravel or concrete slab pathways. The posts for pavilion to be rock based with possible rock wall for additional seating. A timber and rock construction would create connectivity to the playground.

Based on the cost estimate a gravel pad was also mentioned for inside the pavilion if concrete was time or dollar prohibitive.

A concrete slab would allow for some artistic elements and promote community based participation.

**4. Landscape architect**

We all agreed that a Landscape Architect was the next step in the process. This would refine our design and provide a cost estimate. Cary Meyer stated that the City of Homer has a structural architect under contract, and he would most likely be utilized. It is the committees fear that this project might get placed on the back burner if left to the City's devices because of their already full work load and the fact that the architect is based out of Kenai. Lilli stated that she might be able to get a refined plan from Frank Cloyd to present at the Parks & Recreation meeting next week.

Money was also mentioned and whether or not the P & R Committee might have the funds to pay for the plans from Frank if pro-bono work wasn't an option.

There was an earlier mention of \$10,000 from HOPP and whether or not that money was still available. Those are two options to check on.

5. **Community Build for the pavilion**

This was mentioned again and unless a team leader can be found it may have to be contracted out. John Brandt was mentioned and Phil mentioned that he could probably do a section of the pavilion but could not head the whole project.

Other brief items of discussion:

**Park Host**

Phil asked about the park host position. Deb responded that she believed that there is an interested party but that a sight spot had yet to be determined.

**Concert on the Lawn**

A concern about holding Concert on the Lawn on the ball fields was expressed. Deb responded that that was a Parks and Recreation issue.

Accomplishments:

Motion to forward pavilion design to the Parks & Recreation Committee

Established a regular meeting schedule for the first Thursday of each month

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.