

1. 2:00 P.M. Agenda

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There is no agenda available for this meeting, please review the minutes.



**CITY OF YACHATS
PARKS & COMMONS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
Meeting to be held via ZOOM
Tuesday, July 6, 2021 at 2:00pm**

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REGULAR MEETING

- I. Call meeting to order
- II. Correspondence/Communications
- III. Reports
 - 1. Little Log Church
 - 2. Trails
- IV. New Business
 - 1. Resignation of Scott Gordon
 - 2. Application Interview – Fran Morse
 - 3. Request to hang a sign from the Commons Reader Board. Policy discussion and Recommendation to Council

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4. Request to rent dedicated space in the Commons. Policy discussion and recommendation to Council
- I. Ongoing Business
 1. Front of Commons update
 2. Review Green Space Survey and plan next steps
- VI. Commons Other Business
 - a. From Commissioners
 - b. From Staff
 - c. From Audience
 - d. For the next agenda
- VII. From Floor: Topics not listed on the agenda: 5-minute limitation per person

Next regular meeting: Tuesday, August 3, 2021, at 2:00 pm via ZOOM
Commission meets the first Tuesday of each month

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TRAILS COMMITTEE REPORT – Parks and Commons – July 6, 2021

Work sessions – Yachats Trails / YIPS continues to have good turnouts for work sessions, averaging eighteen to twenty-two volunteers for our sessions on the first and third Saturdays of each month.

As the County moves into the lower risk covid category, we have begun undertaking projects that require working in closer proximity to one another. We have compiled a list of needs for each trail and will combine them to form a priority list.

We have cancelled the July 3 work session due to proximity to the holiday and will have work sessions on July 10 and July 24.

At each work session, some of the group works in the Wetlands area resulting in a noticeable decrease in the number of invasive plants growing there.

We have been able to resume getting together as a group at the Drift Inn at the conclusion of work sessions. Many thanks to Linda Hetzler and her staff for generously hosting us.

Highway 101 delineators – We are working with ODOT and the City to get delineators installed on Highway 101 between the southbound traffic lane and the trail – starting just north of the bridge over the Yachats River and extending almost to the old Landmark building site. Among other things, this will involve creation of an Intergovernmental Agreement between ODOT and the City stating that the City will assume responsibility for maintaining the delineators and for periodic cleaning of the trail; this is something the Trails Committee will add to its list of tasks.

Walkway project – We appreciate the Commission's support as we work to get the City Council to authorize City staff to move forward with this project. At the CC meeting 6/16, we provided an update and presented the most recent design. Sometime in the next few weeks, we will be meeting with the O'Neills, who are developing the Farm Stand on the former Landmark property, to talk about ways to proceed with both projects in a symbiotic way.

Aqua Vista Loop South Trail – As mentioned in the last report, funding is in place for this project. We are going to wait until early fall to start but have been meeting with City Public Works staff and neighbors as we develop a plan for staging the materials and equipment that will be required for this project.

Trail maps – Wally and Bob are working with Drew Roslund to develop an additional trail map sign that will be located between the Overleaf and Fireside. It will have information about the Ya'Xaik Trail and we hope it will encourage even more people to explore the Ya'Xaik and Gerdemann Trails.

From: [Scott Gordon](#)
To: [Kimmie Jackson](#)
Subject: P&C Resignation
Date: Wednesday, June 16, 2021 7:16:00 AM

Kimmie,

I would like to resign my position on the Parks and Common Commission. Unfortunately, with the new meeting times, I can no longer guarantee my presence at meetings.

Thank you,
Scott Gordon

From: [Fran morse](#)
To: [Kimmie Jackson](#)
Cc: [Leslie Vaaler](#)
Subject: Fwd: Reasons for P&CC application
Date: Wednesday, June 9, 2021 3:16:00 AM

Kimmie, I wrote this to be attached to my application for the P&CC. Would you please include it with the application in their agenda packet. It could shorten the eventual interview quite a bit, I believe, and maybe allay some anxieties about my application. Thanks, Fran

Begin forwarded message:

From: Fran morse <fran@maxglenn.com>
Subject: Reasons for P&CC application
Date: June 9, 2021 at 2:42:19 AM PDT
To: Fran morse <fran@maxglenn.com>

My first reason is the Commons, itself. I want to apply to the P&CC in particular, because this is a crucial time in deciding what to do with, and in, the Commons. The Commons has been an anchor in the definition of what Yachats community could be since its purchase and renovation as a community center. (I was happy to see the survey, and am very interested in the results.)

It has been noted by other outside observers, and travelers from other coastal towns, that having a central gathering place like the Commons sets this village apart, in its opportunities to build the kind of community we want.

I know the Commons needs to help pay for itself, but it cannot become nothing more than an events center. We depend on a tourism economy, but we must have “local amenities as well as visitor amenities.” If we want to preserve the Yachats we have all come to know and love, then we must keep the Commons accessible, useable and affordable for small and informal local groups, as well as a venue for larger, money-making events.

My first life in Yachats was filled with local community events at the Commons: pot luck dinners, even on actual holidays, like TG and Xmas. Plays full of local citizens put on by One of Us. Lectures which drew as many as 200 people put on by YAAS. Martin Luther King Day memorials by the youth group. Talent shows. Big Band dances. The Gala Opening of the local film “Ghoul from the Tidepool.” The first production I attended was a 4th of July weekend local production of “HAIR” in the summer of 2000.

The Commons was where we met and got to know each other — in the special way that sharing joy and laughter brings people together. I am afraid we are in danger of losing that, if we are not careful.

This is still City property, as the library is City property, and the Little Log Church. It doesn't matter that the City offices are no longer here. They were closed for most of the events I have just listed anyhow. Their presence insured that people had ordinary daytime contact with the Commons building, and were

accustomed to going in and out, but we would hope to ensure that normal daytime access in other ways, with other programming. The City offices have never occupied the library, but the City provides that service as an amenity for locals, as well as for visitors. The LLC is the City's historical memory, and its icon. It also has provided a venue for local events, including my own 30th wedding anniversary celebration.

My second reason for wanting to serve now is the nature of the time we are in. This community has been fractured before, and has healed before. I have been part of that suffering and that healing. My background helps, in dealing with organizations, boards, and conflict resolution in many settings, including here in Yachats.

I served as President of the Friends of the Commons during an earlier period of upheaval, also. The community was split then, as it has been recently, with various sub-groups taking "sides" in a conflict. Personalities, positions and contracts were involved then, too. I believe I have something to offer in these times.

I believe in the democratic method, as our best hope of resolving conflicts in a decent, civil and respectful way. I believe in what used to be called "Statesmanship," where you could disagree ferociously, but respectfully, and then still be friends afterwards. I believe in communication and am willing to devote time to it. Conflict is inevitable, but it can be used to build trust in relationships, and not just to weaken and destroy them. Words matter. Timing matters. Inclusion matters.

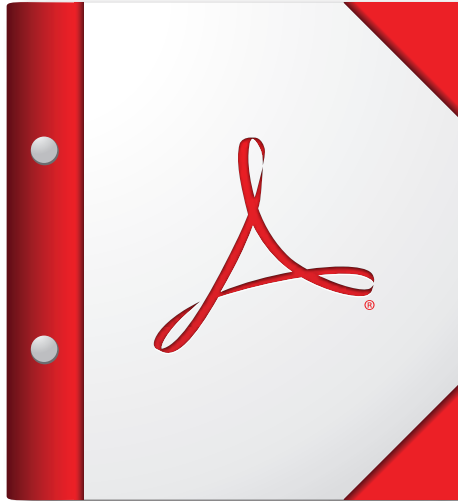
It is possible to go from "the 3 R's to the 3 C's" as it is said in team-building trainings: from resistance, rebellion and revenge, to clarity, cooperation, and commitment. My whole life and career have been devoted to this premise.

Finally, I believe that relationships matter. I believe the saying, "When people get along, anything can be worked out; when people don't get along, nothing can be worked out." I fear that this is the greatest danger facing Yachats at this time. We need to go back to a time of giving each other the benefit of the doubt, even when there seems to be no chance that the other person is anything but crazy — or at least wrong and bad. I try hard to remember the axiom: Never attribute to malice what can be explained by incompetence. It helps.... a little.... I am here to make new relationships.

As I said at the beginning, I have been out of circulation for the past four years. One reason was my ongoing class. Another reason was my husband, Max Glenn. I believe that needs to be addressed. He was the public figure for that time. (I have been astonished at the — very unliberated — way I have often been lumped together with him, as no more than a "Mrs. Max."). I stayed out of the limelight, partly so as not to compete with him, to let him have his space. Now that is not a concern.

For any of you who may still fear that I am merely a mouthpiece for his opinions

and agenda, let me assure you that no one who knows me could ever think that — including Max! I have been with Max for 5 years; I had been myself for over 70 years before he came along. What he offers me is history and connection. He has more years of actively serving Yachats in various capacities than I have. I can ask him about when something happened, who was involved, how it came about, and what the issues were. I don't ask him what to think about it.



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To: Yachats City Council Members
Members of the Parks and Commons Commission
Yachats City Manager and Mayor

From: The Yachats Youth and Families Activities Program Board

Date: June 7, 2021

RE: Updates and Resumption of In Person Activities

As you know, in March of 2020 in response to the pandemic, the Yachats Youth and Family Activities Program (YYFAP) suspended all in person programs. Now that Lincoln County has been permanently designated “Low Risk” and we are seeing an increase in demand for our services, YYFAP has recently started preparing for a return to in-person activities in the spaces we rent in the Yachats Commons building.

The grant funding which we receive that allows us to provide free pre-school and youth programs requires that we transition back to in-person programming this summer. In addition to this requirement to maintain funding, we also feel strongly that it is the right thing to do for the families and children in our community.

We would like to assure you that the resumption plan required by the Oregon Health Authority and the Early Learning Division for in-person programming includes strict measures to ensure that we are safeguarding the health of our staff, children, and others. Under current regulations, parents/guardians will not be allowed in the building but must drop off and pick up their children outside. Daily health checks, mask mandates, and increased sanitation protocols are required and will be strictly followed.

As long-term renters of dedicated space at the Yachats Commons, we have worked hard to be good tenants. In 2009, YYFAP entered into a long-term lease agreement with the City for dedicated space in the Commons, with a 50 year option for annual renewal. Over the years, we have made significant improvements to the spaces we occupy and we contribute \$400 a month in rent in support of the Commons. We continued to pay monthly rent throughout the pandemic, even though programs were shuttered and we were not occupying these allotted spaces.

When the City vacated its offices in the Commons and discussions were occurring around the possibility of renting out that space, we were approached and asked to submit a proposal for consideration. We did so in good faith, but doing so has apparently caused upset as we have been informed that some perceived our proposal as YYFAP attempting to take over the Commons. That was certainly not our intent. We value our relationship

with the City and community and the proposal was developed with an eye towards increasing the safety of our youth by moving them out of the basement while also doubling rents paid to further support the upkeep of the Commons facilities.

YYFAP's mission is to provide a safe and supportive environment for children, to be an advocate for youth and families, and to provide and encourage activities that integrate youth into the community. We truly believe that YYFAP and our youth are assets to the community, and that the safe, educational programs that we provide help to meet current needs and ensure a strong future for Yachats. Having dedicated space is needed to maintain our status as a Certified Childcare Center and provides security for our staff and the families that depend on our programs.

As we begin planning to resume activities, we are excited to welcome new staff that will work together and with volunteers to provide high quality summer camp, preschool, and afterschool programs for the youth and families that live and work in our community. Moving forward, we will be conducting a needs assessment to help us look to the future as we revamp current programs and develop new ones that will continue to serve youth, family, and community needs. We look forward to sharing the results with you when available.

Attached for your reference is the most recent snapshot of our programs (before the pandemic hit) showing audiences served, as well as volunteer contributions and funding sources. Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns, ideas for improving communication, or if you have suggestions about how we can better serve the needs of the youth and families that live and work in our community. We are always willing to attend Commission and Council meetings to address any additional concerns you may have regarding our plans and/or operations.

yachats youth and family activities program

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49 % live in Yachats

41 % live in Waldport

10 % live elsewhere (Seal Rock, Tidewater, Ten Mile, etc.)

our income:



Volunteers gave us over **1300** hours of their time

we served:

We are a certified childcare program and a USDA Food and Nutrition Program through the Oregon Department of Education.

We are proud of our summer water safety/swimming program, which we can offer thanks to Ken and Mary Aebi and the Quiet Water Homeowners' Association.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

822 meals at Families Together to

98 different families

37 children at Rec+

30 preschool children from September to June

21 school-aged children during summer camp

15 preschool summer campers

22 swimmers and water safety learners

53 children plus caregivers at Indoor Park

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