

City of Rockaway Beach Forest Stewardship Plan Advisory Committee (FSPAC) Meeting Minutes



Date: Friday, October 17, 2025
Time: 12:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER – Jason Maxfield, Chair

Maxfield called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Committee Members Present: Sandra Johnson, Jason Maxfield, Lydia Hess, Darlene Johnson, Nancy Lanyon

Council Members Present: Charles McNeilly, Mayor; Mary McGinnis, Councilor (guest)

Staff Present: Luke Shepard, City Manager; and Melissa Thompson, City Recorder

Consultants Present: Ben Hayes, Springboard Forestry; and Brandy Saffell, Springboard Forestry (remote)

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – August 21, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Start time: 12:01 p.m.

Motion by Hess, seconded by S. Johnson, to approve the August 21, 2025 meeting minutes as presented.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 (S. Johnson, Maxfield, Hess, D. Johnson, Lanyon)

No: 0

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

- None

5. NEW BUSINESS

Start time: 12:02 p.m.

a. Introductions – Ben Hayes, Springboard Forestry Staff

- Ben Hayes, Springboard Forestry, introduced himself and explained that the notes from the August committee meeting which outlined vision, goals, and objectives were aligned

with Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board (OWEB) and other planning requirements to create the proposed language being presented for review.

b. Springboard Forestry Presentation:

- Hayes shared a presentation and led participants in discussion of the following:
 - i. **Discuss terminology for referring to the proposed acquisition “City of Rockaway Beach’s fee simple ownership in the Jetty Creek Watershed”**
 - Consensus to refer to property as “in and around” the Jetty Creek Watershed.
 - ii. **Review Draft Purpose and Goals – From FPSAC Meeting #1 (Attachment 1 in meeting agenda packet)**
 - 52% figure in draft goal 1 will be updated to reflect a recent delineation of the watershed using LiDAR data
 - Discussion about expanding and adjusting specific language to better align with goals
 - Discussion regarding priorities related to water quality, recreation, and use of transient lodging tax funds toward the acquisition of the watershed
 - Discussion about importance of considering water quality first when making any habitat enhancements
 - Discussion about options to protect from future harvesting and noted that such policies would be discussed at the next meeting
 - Discussion that potential timber sales revenue would be associated with stewardship activities, such as thinning
 - iii. **Review Proposed Policy Categories – (Attachment 2 in meeting agenda packet)**
 - Committee reviewed slide of proposed policy categories.
 - Draft policies for each category will be reviewed at the next meeting
 - iv. **Review Management Zones - (Attachment 3 in meeting agenda packet)**
 - Three management zones: Zone 1 - preserve; Zone 2 - protect and steward; Zone 3 - steward and recreate
 - Reviewed maps identifying the zones, noting that proposed purchase line follows the road at the south end of the map
 - Hayes identified an active rock quarry in the watershed
 - Discussion about areas for potential recreation, including use of existing roads
 - Suggestion to add to the map 300 acres that could potentially be purchased outside of watershed to Zone 3
 - Suggestion to have future discussion about bikes

c. Next Steps

- Next meeting on November 13, 2025 will include policy discussion.

6. COMMITTEE COMMENTS

- None

7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by S. Johnson, seconded by D. Johnson, to adjourn the meeting at 1:13 p.m.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 (S. Johnson, Maxfield, Hess, D. Johnson, Lanyon)

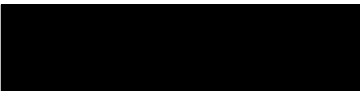
No: 0

MINUTES APPROVED THE
13TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2025



Jason Maxfield, Chair

ATTEST



Melissa Thompson, City Recorder