

City of Portland | Parks, Recreation and Facilities Management

Ethan Hipple, *Director*

Alex Marshall, *Director of Parks*



Commission Members:

Alaina Chormann, Ardath Dixon, Daniel Herzlinger, Jon Kachmar, Joshua Barber, Michael Carey, Michael Scrameyer, Robert Foster, and Simon Thompson.

City Staff: Alex Marshall (Parks Division Director), Doug Roncarati (Public Works-Stormwater Coordinator), Jessica Teesdale (PRF Sr. Executive Assistant), Amber Brooks

Land Bank Commission Meeting Minutes January 14, 2026

This meeting was recorded and is available to watch on the Agendas and Meetings Portal here:

<https://portlandme.portal.civicclerk.com/event/8247/media>

I. Call to Order-J. Kachmar called the meeting to order at 5:05 pm

II. Citizen Comment Period

i. Public comment was provided by

- Shannon Stang of Dakota Street
- Tina Murphy of Dakota Street

D. Roncarati provided a response to one of the questions in the public comment email regarding the Fallbrook watershed on the St. Joseph's parcels, outlining the development review process should a developer come to the city with a proposal.

III. Agenda Items

i. Acceptance of Meeting Minutes: November 12, 2025 Motion to accept the minutes made by M. Scrameyer and seconded by D. Herzlinger. Passed 5-0 with four abstentions

ii. New Business

a. Secretary's Report

1. Annual Report -D. Herzlinger presented the final draft of the annual report with three requests for clarification and final editing from other members. A. Marshall will provide a list of trail work performed on Land Bank properties.

b. Treasurer's Report-R. Foster presented an annual budget report. Current Budget is \$550,000. Clarification is needed for future expenditures. The Land Bank did not spend money in 2025.

Commission discusses how to utilize part of the budget for Land Bank property maintenance and improvements. The budget will be approved as part of the Annual Report at the next meeting.

c. Redlon Woods improvements-J. Kachmar opens a planning discussion. Can a trail to increase accessibility with access points and trail improvements be added to the parcels that are currently owned by the Land Bank in Redlon Woods? Portland Trails has been approached by an abutting property owner with a donation to go towards trail improvements and access. D. Roncarati recommends a survey to GPS existing trails and determine the property's natural features. Resource protection should guide the process of. A field trip has been requested by the commissioners. Updates to the map to reflect the current parcel status would be helpful.

d. Davis Pines survey and appraisal- J. Kachmar suggests a survey and appraisal of the property to bring to the broker and land owner, who may be open to carving off the pines from the whole as part of a conservation sale. The Trust for Public Land may be able to help to raise funds to combine with Land Bank funds to help acquire the parcel. Public access is complicated due to the road being private.

Motion made by M. Carey and seconded by R. Foster to allocate \$10,000 in soft costs to perform due diligence on the Davis Pines property, subject to an agreeable letter of intent with the land owner. Passed 8-0 unanimously

a. Parks Division Report

b. Land Bank Commission Report

iv. Commissioner requests for Agenda Items

- Annual report and Budget vote
- Redlon Woods survey field trip
- North Deering Park
- Identify Parcels for future expenditures-Capital improvements and maintenance
- Promotional flyer

IV. Adjournment