



Community Services Department

Park Board Minutes

March 10, 2014 Regular Scheduled Meeting
City of Bonney Lake Council Chambers

APPROVED

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 P.M.

Park Board Present

Jim Bouchard, **Chair**
Chauntelle Hellner, **Vice-Chair** (Absent)
Randi Riesenber
Todd Haueter (Absent)
Jaime Trejo
Terry Reid
Scott Anderson

City Staff Present

Gary Leaf, Community Service Director
Debbie McDonald, Park Board Clerk

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION WAS MADE BY BOARDMEMBER RIESENBERG AND SECONDED BY BOARDMEMBER ANDERSON TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 10, 2014 MEETING.

MOTION APPROVED 4-0

II. CITIZEN COMMENTS: NONE

III. CORRESPONDENCE: NONE

IV. STAFF REPORTS:

Mr. Leaf has a handout of suggestions from City Council for the Park Board's work plan. Will talk about it under old business.

V. OLD/CONTINUING BUSINESS:

Application/Re-Appointment of Boardmembers Trejo and Riesenber – Terms Expire April 6, 2014

Boardmember Trejo will not be re-applying for another term on the Park Board.

Boardmember Riesenber has already put her application in.

Chair Bouchard would like an announcement to go out for the vacant spot on the Park Board.

Mr. Leaf already has the Park Board vacancy posted.

Follow-up on SEPA, etc. for the Fennel Creek/Safe Routes Parking Lot

Mr. Leaf reported it is the comment period for SEPA, once closed can move forward with the process.

Art, Culture, and Heritage Element of Comprehensive Plan (12/2011) – Commission Establishment

Mr. Leaf updated Boardmembers on the amount of applications that have been submitted for the Arts Advisory Commission. He is not sure if there has been a formal resolution for the formation of the Arts Advisory Commission by City Council.

Chair Bouchard asked what happened to the heritage part of the element.

Mr. Leaf responded he only heard this second hand that the heritage park is being covered by the Historical Society. They also don't want the Arts Advisory Commission to be overwhelmed.

Boardmember Anderson commented that the Historical Society is not an entity of the City.

Biennium Park Board Work Plan

Chair Bouchard would like to go over the work plan ideas he came up with to prepare for the Joint Meeting with City Council.

Mr. Leaf suggested going over Chair Bouchard's list and City Council's suggested work plan list. He went through each item and discussed with the Boardmembers. City Council would like Boardmembers to approach sports league to help with funding for dugouts and portable lights.

Boardmember Anderson commented that most elite leagues are going to invest in sports complexes, not single fields. Adding dugouts and fencing is not going to increase the use on the fields. It will make the fields nicer to use.

Chair Bouchard will contact the local Little League about donating.

Mr. Leaf will contact Sumner Soccer, Mt. Rainier Rugby and Mt. Rainier Football about donating.

Fred Jacobsen: Suggested that there be a plan in hand before trying to get money.

Chair Bouchard responded that the City needs to have a plan of what needs to be funded. They need to define the use of what the money goes towards.

Boardmember Anderson commented they also need figure out the cost for maintaining the project not just the cost for building it.

Chair Bouchard is not willing to put together funding without a plan.

Boardmember Trejo would like to see a park plan for Midtown Park that is cheap and looks good. Would like to start small cut trails in Midtown Park and add picnic tables.

Boardmember Riesenbergs believes the City does need a vision of small projects that can be completed to show citizens that the City is making progress.

Winona Jacobsen: Between a disc golf course and a ropes challenge course in Midtown Park would rather see the disc golf course put in. Would not cost for citizens to use it, they are more likely to grab a frisbee when going for a walk on the trails. More citizens can play disc golf then would be able to do the ropes course plus the cost involved would maybe do it only once a year.

Chair Bouchard does not understand why Council wants to put in another pocket park when they can't take care of the ones they have.

Boardmember Riesenbergs commented that a new pocket park behind Walmart is not just about the money. What about the safety of having a park hidden behind the stores would make it harder for the police to monitor.

Boardmember Trejo does not want to see another Madrona Park.

Chair Bouchard would like to see a breakdown of all the funding sources the parks have.

Fennel Creek Work Plan Including Trail Design Grant Submission – Identify Parcels/Background and Current Status

Chair Bouchard commented that he spoke with Mr. Leaf, there is a grant already and they have it out to bid to design from the end of the safe route trail all the way out to Old Sumner Buckley Hwy.

Update/Coordinate Comp plan Revision – Jason Sullivan, Planning Dept.

No update to report at this time.

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

Communication and Consensus Building – City to Park Board to City

Talked about above.

Joint Meeting with City Council – March 18th

Talked about above.

Manual for each Boardmember (Define Contents) (Tabled till March)

VII. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA AND COUCNIL WORKSHOP AGENDA: NONE

VIII. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Boardmember Trejo suggested if the ropes course in put in at Midtown Park then citizens should receive a 50% discount.

Boardmember Anderson commented that Seattle moving forward with an MPD.

IX. ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION WAS MADE BY BOARDMEMBER REID AND SECONDED BY BOARDMEMBER RIESENBERG TO ADJOURN.

MOTION APPROVED 5-0

The meeting ended at 7:37 P.M.

Debbie McDonald, Park Board Clerk