

**PARK COMMISSION
MEETING**

**October 13, 2014
6:00 p.m.**

APPROVED MINUTES



“Where Dreams Can Soar”

The City of Bonney Lake's Mission is to protect the community's livable identity and scenic beauty through responsible growth planning and by providing accountable, accessible and efficient local government services.

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Location: Justice & Municipal Center, 9002 Main Street East, Bonney Lake.

- I. Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.
- II. Roll Call:** Park Commissioners in attendance were Chauntelle Hellner – Vice Chair, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Reid and Commissioner Surek
- Absent: Chair Bouchard, Commissioner Riesenberg, Commissioner Haueter
- Staff members in attendance: Facilities & Special Projects Manager Gary Leaf, Administrative Services Director/City Clerk Woody Edvalson and Park Commission Clerk Debbie McDonald

III. Approval of Minutes:

Motion was made by Commissioner Reid and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to approve the minutes of the September 8, 2014 meeting.

Motion approved 4-0

IV. Citizen Comments: NONE

V. Correspondence: NONE

VI. Staff Reports: NONE

VII. Old / Continuing Business:

- A. *Manual for each Commission Member* - Facilities & Special Projects Manager Leaf is waiting to meet with Chair Bouchard.
- B. *Biennium Work Plan* – Facilities & Special Projects Manager Leaf commented there are no changes.
- C. *Fennel Creek Trail Parcels Status* – Facilities & Special Projects Manager Leaf commented there are no changes.
- D. *Comp Plan Revision* – No update at this time.

VIII. New Business:

- A. *Changes to Reservation Requirements and Park Fees and Group Use for Parks (Looking for Commissioner Comments)* – Facilities & Special Projects Manager Leaf introduced the City's Administrative Services Director/City Clerk Woody Edvalson.

Administrative Services Director/City Clerk Edvalson explained the changes to the ordinance and the fee increases. At this time leagues would pay double what they are paying but it is still lower than what they should have been paying all these years. There was some legal information added and wording that allows the City events to have priority over the use of any park.

Commissioner Anderson has concern with the fees doubling and how the extra cost will trickle down to the players.

Vice-Chair Hellner asked if the leagues were notified of the proposed increase.

Administrative Services Director/City Clerk Edvalson responded they really only have two leagues that rent the fields. They would not be paying the increased rate till the following year since they already have the fields rented under the existing ordinance.

Vice-Chair Hellner suggested there be a breakdown of the cost for the City to maintain the ball fields and the amount the leagues are paying to rent the fields.

Administrative Services Director/City Clerk Edvalson will contact Public Works for that information.

Commissioner Reid agrees with the fee increase, would like to know if there is a breakdown of what the increase will be for each team. Does the rental agreement include verbiage that the parks are non-smoking?

Administrative Services Director/City Clerk Edvalson responded there is no mention in the agreement of the parks being non-smoking. Will update the rental agreement to include that information.

IX. Items for Next Agenda:

Commissioner Reid asked for a Fennel Creek Parking Lot Update.

Facilities & Special Projects Manager Leaf responded he heard from Public Works that the parking lot should be open in the Fall. He also wanted to recognize City Maintenance Worker Pete Spain for all his hard work on the Victor Falls parking and trail. He was able to complete that project on a minimal budget.

X. For the Good of the Order:

Commissioner Reid would recommend having Pierce County Senior Park Planner, Joseph Coppo attend a Park Commission meeting to present what the future trail projects in Pierce County they are developing.

Facilities & Special Projects Manager Leaf reported he met with Commissioner Reid at Allan Yorke Park to discuss the placement of “no smoking” signs. The City will be ordering 50 new “no smoking” signs that should be able to cover most/all City parks.

Commissioner Anderson recommended Commissioners listen to the last City Council Workshop there was discussion on Midtown Park.

Commissioner Surek attended his first Beautify Bonney Lake and was impressed with the amount of volunteers that turned out.

XI. Adjournment:

Motion was made by Commissioner Surek and seconded by Commissioner Reid to adjourn the Park Commission meeting.

Motion approved 4-0

Meeting was adjourned at 6:46 P.M.

Park Commission Clerk