

**PARK COMMISSION
MEETING**

**March 9, 2015
6:00 p.m.**



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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APPROVED MINUTES

"Where Dreams Can Soar"

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

- I. Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:01 P.M.
- II. Roll Call:** Park Commissioners in attendance were Jim Bouchard – Chair, Vice-Chair Hellner, Commissioner Riesenber, Commissioner Reid, Commissioner Surek, Commissioner Anderson and Commissioner Haueter

Guest: Bruce Dee

Staff members in attendance: Facilities & Special Projects Manager Gary Leaf, and Park Commission Clerk Debbie McDonald

III. Approval of Minutes:

Motion was made by Commissioner Riesenber and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2015 meeting.

Motion approved 6-0

IV. Citizen Comments: NONE

V. Correspondence:

Chair Bouchard commented receiving Commissioners Reid's letter of resignation. He wanted to thank him for all his service on the Park Commission.

Commissioner Reid responded he will be leaving to serve on the Pierce County Conservation Futures Board. They were concerned it could have a conflict of interest to serve on both boards.

VI. Staff Reports:

- A. *T.I.G.E.R. Grant* – Facilities & Special Project Manager Leaf will be working with other Pierce County projects to apply for a grant for construction of the Fennel Creek Trail. Filing as a group will have a better chance of it being approved then applying individually.
- B. *Capital Budget Request for Victor Falls and Fennel Creek Trail* – Facilities & Special Project Manager Leaf explained how Senator Roach has proposed three items for funding and two of the three are for Bonney Lake. The two projects are the Fennel Creek Trail and Victor Falls observation area.

VII. Old / Continuing Business:

- A. *Manual for Each Commissioner* – Chair Bouchard updated the progress of the table of contents for the manual. He is almost finished typing it out and has made some revisions.
- B. *Park Commission Work Plan* – Tabled till March.
- C. *Ad Hoc Committee* – Chair Bouchard updated the Commissioners that they are waiting for new drawings of the Committees ideas. Would also like to have park naming contest to rename Midtown Park.

Commissioner Reid commented the drawings look like a good start of options.

Commissioner Anderson looking to maximize the use of the ball fields by adding lighting and using all weather turf.

VIII. New Business:

- A. *Fennel Creek Trail Design Presentation by Bruce Dees* – Mr. Dees gave an overview of the Fennel Creek design. Not sure what side of the Fennel Creek the trail will go on and alternative routes around Hwy 410. He handed out an overview of the trail extension. Proposing a public meeting to explain the design process and would be able to address concerns. Looking at having a recommendation by April 17, a final recommendation May 6 and the final report by July 2015.

Facilities & Special Project Manager Leaf would like the Commissioners to be the liaisons with the public.

Mr. Dees answered questions from the Commissioners.

- B. *Park Appreciation Day-April 25-9AM Midtown Grill/Fred Meyer* – Chair Bouchard presented the information for Park Appreciation Day to the Commissioners.
- C. *Beautify Bonney Lake – Projects* – Chair Bouchard commented that BBL is looking for projects for their September event. If anyone has any ideas to please let him know.
- D. *Commissioner Reid's Resignation* – See under Correspondence.

IX. Items for Next Agenda:

X. For the Good of the Order:

Commissioner Anderson just wanted to throw out an idea of a yearly festival that would join together the City, the Chamber and Bonney Lake Historical Society. Since Bonney Lake had hop fields here it might be fun to do a microbrew festival with a BBQ challenge. Maybe call it Tapps on Tapps. Would like to establish something the City can market and grow each year.

XI. Adjournment:

MOTION WAS MADE BY VICE-CHAIR HELLNER AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HAUETER TO ADJOURN THE PARK COMMISSION MEETING.

MOTION APROVED 7-0

Meeting was adjourned at 6:55 P.M.

Park Commission Clerk