

BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS MINUTES
Wednesday, October 28, 2015 5:30pm, Lacey City Hall

Present:

Commission: Glen Crandal, Lu Carlson, Ken Balsley, Matt Acker & Alexandra Rivera

Excused: Paul Royer

Staff: Lori Flemm

Public: James Reddick, Debbie Batten, Allan Papp, Lois Pospisil, Gretchen Benjamin, Pat Bucknell

The meeting was called to order at 5:31pm, by Vice-Chair Lu Carlson.

Additions or deletions to the Agenda

No additions or deletions to the Agenda.

Announcements & introductions

No announcements.

Minutes

The September 23, 2015 minutes were unanimously approved and placed on record.

Calendar

No meeting in November. Next meeting is December 2.

Correspondence

See New Business 8C.

Old Business

- a) Approve Forest Management Plan Pleasant Glade Park
Changes from September meeting were made. As an alternative to chemical herbicides, CoL has requested to be a test site for biological control of thistle (2/3 effective). Suggestion made to consider chipping downed logs.

Motion: Approve Plan with suggested amendments.

The motion passed and was unanimously approved.

- b) Comprehensive Plan for Outdoor Recreation survey
Minor changes made to wording of some of the survey questions. Online survey available on Monday, Nov. 2

New Business

- a) Select Representative to PARC Foundation: Matt Acker & Lu Carlson will share these duties.
- b) Introduce Athletic Field Fee Increase Effective Jan. 1, 2016. RAC Manager Sue Falash will bring a fee comparison to the December meeting. The Park Board suggested looking at an increase at the RAC.
- c) Civic Plaza Proposal from Lacey Sunrise Lion's Club: Pat Bucknell presented a plan and concept to add military flags near the Flag Plaza, a plaque with history of the plaza/flag memorial area and names of flag donors, all at no cost to the City. Lori added that the City does not own the land, so as of 2012, Council has not wanted to put any money into the area/plaza. Commissioners liked the concept of the proposal, but objected "commercialization" of posting names of donors who have contributed to the purchase of US Flags throughout Lacey.

Director's Report

- a) Programs & Special Events
 - 1) Summer's End Car Show, Children's Day: successful special events.

- 2) Rampage at the RAC: 500 participants
 - 3) Puddle Jump on Saturday, Nov. 7; 250 people registered as of today.
 - 4) Turn Back the Clock Run on Sunday Nov. 1: \$4000 revenue for area school track programs.
- b) Planning and Construction
- 1) Avonlea Park Bioxide Tank installation in November
 - 2) Hazard Tree Removal at Lake Lois Habitat Reserve scheduled at end of November/early December.
 - 3) Security Cameras in 3 parks: Long Lake, the RAC, Rainier Vista
 - 4) Pleasant Glade Neighborhood Park Application for submitted to the County. A permit was only necessary for hazard tree removal. Lori thanked Gretchen and all the Pleasant Glade neighbors, for open communication & spirit of cooperation.
- Motion: Change the name of Pleasant Glade Park to Pleasant Glade Open Space. The motion was seconded and was approved.***
- c) Grants & Budget
- 1) WWRP Grant for Woodland Creek Community Park Trail Connection
 - 2) Lodging Tax requests submitted, waiting to hear back from County.
 - 3) 2016 Budget Request Presented to City Council- Many LPRD requests approved.
- d) Miscellaneous

Commissioner's Report

Matt Acker met with Engineering students at Saint Martin's University, about a stadium design. Students stressed creating a unique park, using natural features of the land/area, and plan for future development & expansion.

Chair's Report

No report.

Citizen/Public Comments on Items not on the Agenda

No comments.

Committee Reports

- a) PARC Foundation: James Reddick
Walk-a-thon raised \$1,700 raised for Specialized Recreation
Nov. 3- Chili Feed DSHS, \$8 per person
8 DNR repurposed wood items donated to PARC online auction
Olympia's Metropolitan Park District predicting 58% passage
- b) City's 50th Anniversary of Incorporation Planning Committee: Ken Balsley
Ken Balsley provided an update on the Planning Committee.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 7:10pm.

Next meeting: Wednesday, December 2*, 2015 at 5:30pm at the Lacey City Hall.

(*No meeting in November, & December meeting early due to holidays)