PARKS ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES
Willis Tucker Park
6705 Puget Park Drive, 6705 Puget Park Drive, Snohomish

Tuesday, May 12, 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

10. Call to Order

20. Roll Call – Molly Deardorff, John Ewald, Steve Yandl, Melissa Marzolf, Rob Putnam, John Briney, Russ Bosanko, Tom Teigen, Valerie Stevens

30. Review and Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting – Melissa Marzolf moved to accept the meeting minutes from the April 14, 2015 meeting, John Ewald seconded, approved unanimously

40. Public Hearings/Meetings - June 2, 3pm to 5pm Conservation Board Advisory Board meeting scheduled.

50. Oral Requests from the Audience/Correspondence –

50.1 Correspondence and Citizen Interaction - Melissa received an email about access to the Centennial Trail from a potential new homeowner. Parks Staff determined during a site inspection not to grant private access as the proposed trail access would undermine the integrity of the trail base.

60. General Business

60.1 2015 Park Advisory Board Picture Taken prior to Field Trip

60.2 Field Trip/Tour – Paradise Valley Conservation Area – Lloyd Estate, Hooven Bog – Report, Observations, Questions? Everyone enjoyed the field trip and appreciated getting out to see some of the parks that we have talked about at several Park Advisory Board meetings. Currently the MOU and Agreement are with the county prosecuting attorney’s office for the proposal the department received from Farmer Frog for the Lloyd Estate – Paradise Valley Conservation Area improvements.

60.3 Snohomish County Council Wellington Hills project public comment TBD. At the County Council Chambers, 3000 Rockefeller Ave, 8th Floor, east tower, if anyone from the Park Advisory Board wanted to attend. ---No date Set.

60.4 Spring/Summer Recreation Guide on-line, print copies out week of May 18.

60.5 Park Ranger Team Building – Learn to Row – Lake Stevens/Wyatt County Park – North Cascades Crew – Pictures provided.

60.6 WRPA Award – Miner’s Corner/Planner Chris Mueller, Willis Tucker Park – in 2014 was voted the #2 Playground King 5 Best of the Northwest

60.7 Snohomish County Award by our IT Department – Maxicom system (Irrigation/opening/closing restroom doors), Jeremy Husby our Park Maintenance Systems Tech, and implementation of the short-throw interactive video projector.
70. Reports from the Staff/Status Reports

70.1 Planning/Engineering/Design/Construction Projects – Bi-monthly reviewed and discussed.


2. Whitehorse Trail Bridges – Started with decking for # 704 the long, 324’ Cicero Bridge.

3. Haller Bridge – received a request from Arlington Art Council to install metal eagle sculpture on south end of bridge. James, Russ and Darren from county public works bridge crew reviewing proposal and making suggestions.

4. Kayak County Golf Course Improvements – Currently working on repairing/replacing irrigation heads and new irrigation controller. Also, working on replacing the reducing the wooden steps leading up to many of the tee boxes. This Fall we will be moving indoors and making improvements to the Pro Shop, Restrooms, and outside deck areas.

5. Partnership with Community Transit. - Park Advertising opportunities on buses, bus kiosks, etc.

   • Bike to Work Day – also partner with Cascade Bicycle Club - Friday, May 15, 6am – 9am -John, Rob, and Melissa, and Don Kusler, helping us out at Pine and Maple and Marysville Park and Ride – Thank You!

   • Movies in the Park – July 23, Planes, Fire and Rescue – CT main event sponsor

   • Bike Bash – McCollum Park, Saturday, July 25, 10am – 3pm with Cascade Bike Club, BMX, YMCA, etc.

   • National Night Out – Co-Sponsor of the event with Snohomish County

6. March 11 – Going out to bid for Willis Tucker Park – East build out. Re-bid – Project came in under budget.... Scheduled work June – December 2015. Two hundred paved parking stalls, two picnic shelters, four sand volleyball courts, water to off leash dog area. Total cost...$3.7 million

70.2 Park Director’s Time (Tom Teigen with Help from Russ Bosanko)

   • Parks Director Tom Teigen mentioned that he and the Fairgrounds Manager will be presenting to the county council the proposed master plan for the Fairgrounds. Master Plan was approved by the County Council. As part of the approved master plan a new roof on the Beef Barn and a breezeway roof to connect the two buildings will be installed thus adding more covered flat space for vendors, etc. The large arena building will need a new roof with an estimated cost of $1.3 million.

   • The entry/driveway leading into Lake Stickney County Park and a section of the Interurban Trail was paved recently.
• The County Council and County Executive have a planned 2016 budget retreat scheduled at Willis Tucker Park on Tuesday, May 26.

• County Parks Real Property staff will be working over the next two (2) years with the landowners affected by the 530 slide near Oso with the FEMA buyout dollars.

• Storm Lake (164 acres – se of Flowing Lake) purchased with Conservation Futures dollars sale will likely close July 2015.

• Meadowdale Beach Park and Ranger Doug will be highlighted in the June edition of Sunset magazine.

80. Message from the Board - Around the Table

Rob Putnam – Rob and his wife sighted a mama bear and her cubs on the Centennial Trail near the Nakashima Barn and reported it to Russ. Russ notified the North Rangers to insure that ample warning signs traveling north and south on the trail were posted.

Melissa Marzolf – Reported that we now have 814 likes on the Park Advisory Board Facebook page and was enjoying the creative information posted on the county parks department Facebook page.

John Ewald – No report

John Briney – Thanks the Parks Department for sending the jail crew and the Park Naturalist to supervise to remove some of the invasives growing in the forest at Esperance County Park. As there is still room in the 40 yard dumpster John and the Friends of Esperance Park will host another volunteer event at the park on Saturday, May 16.

Valerie Stevens – Lots of people stopping at the 530 slide near Oso at the site where WSDOT planted memorial trees. The 13 acre property that the county parks department purchased and used a small section of for the 1 year commemorative event is not officially open to the general public and the parks department will continue to meet and work with the affected families on an appropriate memorial.

Steve Yandl – Discussed how expensive it was for the local HOA to upgrade or repair the playgrounds that they are responsible for. Mentioned that with Willis Tucker Park being nearby he and the HOA was suggesting to the families to visit the county park playground.
Molly Deardorff – Hiked Heybrook Lookout and Japanese Gulch. Signed up for county park text notifications but the text’s she’s received to date are somewhat cryptic and aren’t helpful. Russ will look into this and provide an update to the group.

90. Adjournment

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