

## PARKS ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

Willis Tucker Park

6705 Puget Park Drive, 6705 Puget Park Drive, Snohomish

Tuesday, July14, 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

10. Call to Order

20. Roll Call – Steve Yandl – Chair, John Ewald, Bob McCarty, Molly Deardorff, John Briney, Valerie Stevens, Russ Bosanko, Sharon Swan, Tom Teigen

30. Review and Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

No quorum was present at the beginning of the meeting, so approval was delayed until later. With the arrival of Bob McCarty during the meeting, a quorum was present. John Ewald motioned for the minutes to be approved, John Briney seconded. All voted in favor of approving the minutes.

40. Public Hearings/Meetings

None.

50. Oral Requests from the Audience/Correspondence –

50.1 Correspondence and Citizen Interaction-

John Ewald was asked by several neighbors in the Lake Roesiger neighborhood on the status of the new and original parks at Lake Roesiger. Sharon Swan explained that the Camping Program group visited the original Lake Roesiger Park to see if camping could be added to the park on the land across the street from the park but having the lake and park amenities on opposite sides of the road make the addition of new camping sites undesirable. However the land on the eastside of the road could be used as a trailhead. As for the new(er) West Lake Roesiger property, work with DNR has stalled.

Steve Yandl was approached by a neighbor who lives next to Willis Tucker Park about a tree issue. Russ Bosanko advised for the neighbor to contact him directly about the issue. Steve also mention another neighbor was looking for a location for pickle ball. Tom Teigen suggested the basketball court at Willis Tucker.

Tom Teigen mentioned that he was just interviewed by the local news about the tall grass at Wellington Hills Park. He explained that the park was being left in a natural state, as well as other county parks, until a master plan is adopted and construction can begin. Still talking to the city of Woodinville and the county council about the master plan. It was mentioned that three parks were closed on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July due to the danger of fireworks and the dry weather (Squire Creek Park, Logan Park and Wellington Hills Park).

60. General Business

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

## 70. Reports from the Staff/Status Reports

Sharon Swan presented a draft of the updated Property Acquisition Criteria (see attached criteria).

McCollum Pool is now open for swimming and lessons. The new liner is expected to last another 10 years. Some punch list items still remain and will be completed in Sept after the swim season ends and the pool is closed for the year.

### Planning/Engineering/Design/Construction Projects

Whitehorse Trail Bridges – Finish w decking..... almost done with railing...for # 704 the long, 324' Cicero Bridge. Pictures made available

River Meadows Park – Looking at improving access to steep entrance. Grade is currently at 12%. The tribe offered to help pay for it because of their annual event. Festival of the River is in August – 6,500 people attend each day of the festival.

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.

Kayak County Golf Course Improvements – Hired sub-contractor ( electrical engineer) to review and design Pro Shop and restroom electrical needs. All or most of the work will be completed by December 2015.

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

Bike Bash ( Rodeo) – Saturday, July 25, 10am – 3pm

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

National Night Out – Tuesday, August 4, Co-Sponsor of the event with Snohomish County

New county park/trail map – Now available - Russ Bosanko handed them out at the meeting.

North Creek Boardwalk Trail – replacement of the final 1+ mile floating sections ( 90) starting mid July – end of September..... boardwalk will be open weekends and evenings for the public to use. Had an end section of the most southern leg of the boardwalk set on fire the week before the 4th of July.... looking at cost effective way(s) to replace on the most southern spur. Parks decided to not replace end section and to stop the boardwalk before the burnt section. Board agreed with the decision.

Water Trail System – Skykomish River, Stillaguamish River,.... Salish Sea. Parks is having discussions with USFS and others while looking into a water trail system that may include some amenities, load in/out sites, etc.

Esperance Park Update – Preliminary appraisal came in at \$1.9 million. Parks had \$650,000 conservation futures set aside for acquisition and \$911,688 for development which can re-purposed for acquisition which gives Parks \$ 1,561,688. RCO grant could provide up to 508,600. County Parks was awarded \$508,600 for the project from State RCO funds.

Farmer Frog – Paradise Valley Conservation Area – Lloyd Farmstead – Working on cleaning up the site via a volunteer agreement. Working with lawyer for MOU which incorporates the family's request for the Farmstead.

Centennial Trail pavement repair and preservation – Working with a contractor for areas of concern near Getchell and we will begin our “slurry” project in Snohomish and work our way north from there each year.

Interurban Trail – connection from McCollum Park – Parks hired part-time consultant to look at possible connections and work on Monroe to Snoqualmie Trail ( CT) connection along highway 203.

Rhody Ridge Arboretum – Life Estate – Met with homeowner/landowner and her lawyer and care giving agency to discuss moving forward with agreement with soon to be formed 501 c 3 Rhody Ridge Foundation to manage and run the property long term. Nice article in Everett News on July 8, 2015 edition about the Butler’s 1970 donation to the county park system!

Meadowdale Beach Improvements –

River Meadows Ingress/Egress – Festival of the River

Steelhead County Park Update – Disc golf proposal asked to redo their design to use only a third of the parks space.

Whitehorse Trail – Trafton Trailhead News piece

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

Tom reported on the success of the Parks Department RCO grants application in the new State budget. Contacted Edmonds School District to negotiate sale of Esperance Elementary School property.

80. Message from the Board - Around the Table

Rob Putnam or was it Bob McCarty – Need letter of support for Water Trail System grant application.

John Ewald – Mentioned that current water condition resemble late August conditions not early July.

John Briney – Visited Meadowdale Park – there is still a need for a security camera at the parking lot.

Steve Yandl – Grandson was pleased to spot his picture in the advisory board picture. Also responded affirmatively when Tom asked if he'd be able to arrange a neighborhood meeting if and when field lights from Mill Creek Little League are available for Willis Tucker.

Molly Deardorff – No comment

Valerie Stevens

90. Adjournment