

PARKS ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

Willis Tucker Park

6705 Puget Park Drive Snohomish Washington

Tuesday September 13, 2016 3:00pm - 4:30pm

10. Call to Order

20. Roll Call

20.1. Voting Board Members –

John Briney (District 3)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Melissa Marzolf (At Large)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Catherine Collins (At Large)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bob McCarty (District 5)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Debbie Cople (At Large)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Robert Putnam (District 1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Molly Deardorff (At Large) (Chair)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Vacant (At Large)	<input type="checkbox"/>
John Ewald (At Large)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Steve Yandl (District 4) (Notes)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Julie Langabeer *** (District 2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

20.2. Staff (Parks and other County Departments or agencies) -

Russ Bosanko, Tom Teigen, Presentations from; Amy Lucas, Kevin Teague, Rich Patton.

20.3. Guests -

30. Review and Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes of the July 2016 meeting were unanimously approved.

40. Public Hearings/Meetings

40.1. September 22, 2016 at Skagit County Courthouse, 9:30am to 12:00noon, Room 202, Lawsuit regarding disposition of the Wellington Hills Property was announced by Russ Bosanko.

50. Oral Requests from the Audience/Correspondence

60. General Business

60.1. Recap of how the Parks and Recreation Fair Information went this year and solicitation of ideas for the booth in 2017.

60.1.1. The slight change in location worked out well with some increased exposure.

60.1.2. Suggestion made for 2017 to make available the hiking guide (might require advance extra printing).

60.1.3. Suggestion made to have pallets or some sort of lumber strips to get cardboard storage boxes off the ground to keep the bottoms dry during heavy rains (booth was covered but there was good water flow over asphalt that boxes were sitting directly on).

60.2. Fall Field Trip – October 11, 2016, 3:00pm – 5:00pm, prompt departure from Willis Tucker to allow return arrival prior to 5:15pm. Planned visits to Heybrook Ridge, Steelhead County Park, Sportsmen’s Park. We may be joined by additional stakeholders in the Sultan area.

70. Reports from the Staff/Status Reports

70.1. Planning/Engineering/Design/Construction Projects

70.1.1. Whitehorse Trail – RCO grant – Amy Lucas, North Creek Trail, County Public Works application.

70.1.1.1. Amy Lucas shared that their presentation for phase 2 of the proposed work scored #4. Based on predictions regarding anticipated funds and the requests of those scoring higher, there was reason for optimism that ideas presented would be fully funded.

70.1.1.2. Proposal would involve about 12.5 miles of resurfacing, some additional parking and additional signage.

70.1.1.3. At the Trails Conference on October 15, Amy Lucas and Annique Bennett will be presenting.

70.1.1.4. North Creek Trail presentation scored #5. There was optimism for partial funding on this one as it scored #5 right behind the Whitehorse Trail presentation.

70.1.2. Cavalero County Park – Phase 2, additional parking, bmx track, etc. We weren't "shovel ready" meaning we were still more in the conceptual phase so the presentation by Kevin Teague did not score as highly as we had hoped and with over 70 other applications there was plenty of competition – Kevin Teague update.

70.1.2.1. Grindlines is the design firm.

70.1.2.2. Evening meeting on September 12 went well with a number of skaters attending and providing thoughtful feedback to the design firm.

70.1.2.3. Anticipated construction in 2017.

70.1.2.4. Molly Deardorff reported that Community Transit has put a new bus stop at the site.

70.1.3. Whitehorse Trail Bridges – Received WSDOT and County Risk Management buy off on at grade crossing which is a huge savings from having to go over or under Highway 530. Bridge # 710 and Bridge # 712 being completed this Fall. Bridge # 713 will have new installation of the wooden decking and railing completed sometime in 2016 or early 2017, while County Public Works applies for permits, design, construct/assemble all steel bridge in either 2017 or 2018.

The trail section near/running through Trafton Trailhead is being worked on by county public works in July 2016.

70.1.4. Maltby area park – Upcoming meetings

70.1.4.1. Design Criteria and Program

70.1.4.1.1. Ad Hoc meeting, Tuesday, September 13, 7pm, Willis Tucker Park.

70.1.4.1.2. Public meeting, Tuesday, September 20, TBA, Willis Tucker Park.

70.1.4.2. Master Plan alternatives

70.1.4.2.1. Ad Hoc meeting, Tuesday, September 27, TBA, Willis Tucker Park

70.1.4.2.2. Public meeting, Tuesday, October 4, TBA, Willis Tucker Park.

70.1.4.3. Preliminary Master Plan

70.1.4.3.1. Ad Hoc meeting, Tuesday, October 11, TBA, Willis Tucker Park.

70.1.4.3.2. Public Meeting, Tuesday, October 18, TBA, Willis Tucker Park.

70.1.4.4. Final Master Plan

70.1.4.4.1. Ad Hoc meeting, Tuesday, October 25, TBA, Willis Tucker Park.

70.1.4.4.2. Public Meeting, Tuesday, November 1, TBA, Willis Tucker Park

70.1.5. Russ Bosanko distributed status updates on the list of current capital projects for review.

70.1.6. Grants applied for and presentations made:

70.1.6.1. Esperance Park – The adjacent property was purchased from Edmonds School District with the help of RCO Acquisition funds. That Grant has been completed and closed out. The added 2.55 acres provides Esperance Park with immediate off-street parking as well as additional space for Off-Leash Dog Area, Sport Court, Community Garden and Relocation of a conventional Playground

70.1.6.2. Meadowdale Beach Improvements – Update – looking at closing the interior tunnel gates as parks has received several concerns related to the tunnel being used by humans while the fish are trying to swim upstream.... Railroad trestle option was estimated at \$12 – 15 million, a pedestrian overpass is estimated to be in the \$9-million-dollar range that would be somewhat similar to the Picnic Point pedestrian bridge/overpass. County Council has voted to look at the studies.

70.1.6.3. Steelhead County Park Update – Looks like there is an additional Shoreline Permit necessary that public works will be applying for which will delay the property not coming to county parks until probably next summer or early Fall. Currently supposed to be cleaning up hotspots.

70.2. RFP Update – {2015 – 2016}

70.2.1. Disc Golf – Instructed vendor to continue to work with/through Senior Planner Kevin Teague on questions rising from the RFP evaluation process related to the area flooding, long term feasibility of the proposal and how best to incorporate all members of the public access to the river and park lands. Applicant is waiting on Kevin to help lay out the disc golf course so it does not include the several existing recreation lots under private ownership, the known flood plain, etc. before they submit and meet with PDS (County Planning and Development Services).

70.2.2. North Cascades Crew – Permanent rowboat storage structure – Wyatt County Park – Lake Stevens – Russ Bosanko and James Yap met with vendor and laid out a strategy on how to best approach the city for building permit approval.

70.2.3. Glacier Peak – Biological Field Station possibilities at Whitehorse Community Park, Fortson Mill, Squire Creek, Darrington Archer Range, etc. – No conversations with proposer in over a year.

70.3. RFP Proposals – Summer of 2016.

70.3.1. Lil Paws Pet Grooming – Entered into agreement for weekend pet grooming at Willis Tucker Park Off Leash Dog Areas; August and September 2016.

70.3.2. Machias Food Truck Proposal – James Yap, Planning Supervisor, is working with State Health Department on location and operation of a well on the Pilchuck Trailhead of Centennial Trail, one mile south of Machias/or current location. James is also working on bringing electrical power to the site via PUD, which would run the pump for the well and provide needed electricity for the vendor booths and possible caretaker.

70.3.3. Paine Field Community Park – High Tech Aerial Park and Zipline – James Yap has gotten approval from FAA that the Aerial Park does not affect the landing or taking off of airplanes from the airport and he and the vendor have had a pre-submittal meeting with PDS on what is needed for a building permit, wetland mitigation, etc. Russ Bosanko has updated the original draft lease agreement, version 4.0 and Tom Teigen and Russ have met with the vendors to discuss operation and contract terms.

70.4. Park Director's Time (Tom Teigen with help from Russ Bosanko).

70.4.1. Discussion of the initial ad hoc meeting to be held this evening on 'Maltby Area Park'.

70.4.1.1. The suggestion was made that the ad hoc meetings should be recorded (at least an audio recording) to insure the process would be viewed by interested parties as transparent.

70.4.2. Announced that the County Executive would soon be putting forth his budget. Cost saving strategies were in order but Parks and Recreation fared well in a lean budget.

70.4.3. The recently completed Evergreen State Fair was a success.

70.4.3.1. Revenue was up.

70.4.3.2. Vendor attendance was down 7%, almost certainly because of a time overlap with the Puyallup Fair over the Labor Day weekend.

70.4.3.3. The inaugural livestock auction went extremely well and would be done again in future years.

80. Messages from the Board. Around the Table

80.1. John Briney

80.1.1. Cleanup planned at Esperence Park in October. John will coordinate with Russ for dumpster.

80.2. Catherine Collins

80.3. Debbie Copple

80.3.1. Debbie announced a planned festival in Sultan on September 24 at Osprey Park. There would be a 5k 'Salmon Run' and numerous activities for family fun.

80.3.2. Pictures and information was shared on the refurbishing of a significant gym structure in Startup.

80.3.3. She is still working on the water trails map which is an extremely complex endeavor but good progress is being made.

80.4. Molly Deardorff

80.4.1. She will miss the November meeting so vice chair Putnam will need to chair the meeting that month.

80.4.2. Molly will complete her current term but does not plan to continue serving on the committee after that.

80.5. Tammy Dunn

80.6. John Ewald

80.7. Julie Langabeer

80.7.1. Julie took the Heybrook Ridge trail and said it was very pleasant.

80.8. Melissa Marzolf

80.9. Bob McCarty

80.9.1. Bob shared a prototype of a raft and kayak tie down device he had been working on.

80.10. Robert Putnam

80.10.1. Shared a recap of his participation in RSVP event. He commented that many area business owners failed to see the advantage in trying to capture added business from the biking community when such events draw such significant participation.

80.11. Steve Yandl

80.11.1. Commented that the new volleyball courts and other improvements in the latest phase of work at Willis Tucker Park turned out great and were much appreciated by the community adjacent to the park.

90. Adjournment

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