

# PARKS ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

Willis Tucker Park 6705 Puget Park Drive Snohomish, Washington  
Tuesday, April 11, 2017 3:00pm - 4:30pm

10. Call to Order

20. Roll Call

20.1. Voting Board Members –

John Briney (District 3-Vice Chair)	X	Darrell Olson (At Large)	
Catherine Collins (At Large)	X	Bob McCarty (District 5)	X
Debbie Copples (At Large)		Robert Putnam (District 1-Chair)	X
Dave Divoky (At Large)		Brett Kinney (At Large)	X
John Ewald (At Large)	X	Steve Yandl (District 4-Notes)	
Julie Langabeer (District 2-Notes)	X		

20.2. Staff (Parks and other County Departments or agencies) –Russ Bosanko; Tom Teigen; Emily Druschba; Sharon Swan; Tammy Dunn (Snohomish County Tourism Bureau), ex-officio.

20.3 Guests – Ryan Gilmore, new sports sales manager with the Snohomish County Tourism Bureau.

30. Review and Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting – The minutes of the March 2017 meeting were reviewed and approved.

40. Public Hearings/Meetings – High Trek Aerial Park and Zipline ribbon cutting ceremony scheduled for May 4 from 2 to 3 p.m.

50. Oral Requests from the Audience/Correspondence

60. General Business

60.1 March 19, 2017 Ride to Remember Oso – Report – Emily Druschba – The ride was successful in spite of the trail being a little flooded. There were 150 to 200 riders on the Highway 530 section of the event with 50 to 80 on the Whitehorse Trail.

60.2 - Winter 2017 RFP ( request for proposals) February 16 – **March 30, 2017** Brett Kinney from Park Board has agreed to serve on the Evaluation committee. Thanks Brett! Scheduled for **2pm ( Willis Tucker Park) on April 11, 2017.**

**60.3 Field trip to May 9 – 2pm – 630pm – Haller Park, Reliance Arch, Fortson Mill, Cicero, Squire Creek, Whitehorse Trail,**

60.4 Fly Fishing Museum – Whitehorse Trail – Miller Shingle - meeting synopsis – Sharon Swan. A group of fly fishing enthusiasts is working on the museum at the Miller Shingle site and will build restrooms.

60.5 Woodinville Lions Club Deer Creek Road Picnic Shelter – Whitehorse Trail – Sharon Swan

60.6 Friends of Lord Hill Park – Pre-Planning Meeting Update – Sharon Swan – Meetings are ongoing.

60.6.1. Brett Kinney reported that he is a member of Backcountry Horsemen and is familiar with their concerns.

60.7 High Trek Aerial Park and Zipline – Ribbon Cutting Ceremony – Scheduled for May 4, 2pm – 3pm

## 70. Reports from the Staff/Status Reports

### 10.1. Planning/Engineering/Design/Construction Projects

10.1.1. Whitehorse Trail Update – Amy Lucas

10.1.2. America’s Best Cities (ABC) – Town of Darrington and City of Arlington, Parks role – Final Presentation submitted!! – Amy Lucas – It’s down to the Final Eight; the top three will receive grants. Update – City of Arlington was one of 8 finalist but did not wind up as one of the top 3 but comments from the city and town indicated they were able to leverage the money they did receive along with other partnerships and opportunities with other agencies and organizations.

10.1.3. 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.

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

70.1.6 Farmer Frog Signed Lease Celebration and Potluck – Saturday, April 15, 1pm – It was a very complicated contract.

70.1.5 Kayak Point Public Meeting- 3/9/2017 Rob Putnam/Sharon Swan – A second public meeting is scheduled for April 27. The first priority is renovation of the day-use area at the beach. The public has expressed interest in more camping trails, a community center and an interpretive center. Use of the area east of Marine Drive will be addressed. Sharon passed out diagrams of the 3 concept alternatives which will be refined into one preferred concept.

70.1.6 Russ handed out status updates on the list of current capital projects.

2015 – 2016 RFP Update –

70.5.1.1 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 layout 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)

70.5.1.2 North Cascades Crew – Permanent Row Boat Storage Structure – Wyatt County Park – Lake Stevens - Sent Letter of support for the event to the City of Lake Stevens.... Working on Draft language for long term lease.

70.6 Summer 2016 RFP Proposals:

70.6.1 Machias Food Truck Proposal – Vendor indicated he no longer has an interest. Parks has an interest in possibly expanding trailhead parking, permanent restrooms, perhaps caretaker onsite.

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

70.7.1 Tom reported on the March 20 meeting in Snohomish organized by folks (mostly horsemen) concerned about plans for Lord Hill. Their primary fear was the possibility that bicyclists would be allowed to take over the park. Tom explained that plans are in a very preliminary stage, and that there is room in this 1,463 acre park for bikes, hikers and horses. Stakeholders from these groups are participating in the planning process. They are not going to call it a bike skills park plus the equestrians at this point in time will have access to over 1,000 acres of the 1,463 acre park.

70.7.2 Sportsmen's Park- There is lots of support for this public park where long rifles, skeet shooting, archery, etc., will all be incorporated into the final park design. It will be about 640 acres in a roughly square shape.

70.7.3 Wallace Falls- Tom presented to the DNR regarding the Wallace Fall reconveyance.

70.7.4 Campgrounds- Should Parks approach the Forest Service about having Hoodoo (a company which manages forest service campgrounds) manage county park campgrounds? The Board voted to have the county parks department to perform due diligence to see if it makes business sense for the parks department to possibly turn in a proposal to manage and operate the campgrounds within Snohomish County.

70.7.5 Carousel Ranch, aka Malty Area Park- The Board voted unanimously that the official name should be Carousel Ranch Community Park.

70.8 Special Event Update – Parks Facility Reservation Specialist Emily Druschba gave the update – Ride to Remember Oso, Bike Bash, Ride Everywhere Day, Park and Trail events, unique events scheduled, etc. Many events on the schedule: Sand Volleyball opens soon, Bike Bash to be at Willis Tucker Park, numerous weddings scheduled, movies are lined up.

70.9 Historical Video Project – Catherine Collins, Carousel Horse Community Park, Nakashima Barn/Trailhead, Flowing (Leckies) Lake County Park, Bob Heirman/Thomas' Eddy, Rhody Ridge Arboretum, Kayak Point County Park, etc. – A person who has worked at the fairgrounds has been hired. Catherine Collins wanted a staff person involved (besides Russ, who is suffering from “task saturation”).

## 71. Messages from the Board. Around the Table

71.1 John Briney

- 71.2 Catherine Collins -- Has been moving horses off of Carousel Ranch – and chickens too.
- 71.3 Debbie Copple
- 71.4 Dave Divoky
- 71.5 John Ewald- Saw a Seattle Metro article talking about Snohomish County Region Parks. We should encourage Seattle people to visit our parks.
- 71.6 Julie Langabeer- Attended the meeting in Snohomish regarding Lord Hill.
- 71.7 Darrell Olson
- 71.8 Bob McCarty- Mentioned the land trades going on for the shooting range. He is still looking for properties to take kayaks in and out.
- 71.9 Robert Putnam- He met a lady from Israel who had a copy of “Things to do in Snohomish County.” She was setting out to do them all.
- 71.10 Brett Kinney
- 71.11 Steve Yandl- A friend wanted to know about ADA accessible examples.
- 71.12 Tammy Dunn- Has been attending lots of conferences. Many events are being scheduled in the county. The Tourism Bureau is now fully staffed with the hiring of Ryan Gilmore.

72 Adjournment- Reminder that the next meeting on May 9 is the Field Trip to see the White Horse Trail area, and will leave from Willis Tucker Park at **2 pm**.

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