

APPROVED
JULY 18, 2018

Kitsap County Park Advisory Board
Minutes June 20, 2018

Meeting called to order at 6:00 by Chair Larry Walker.

Attendance - Larry Walker, Ani Gatz, Jon Pearson, John Grinter, & Josh Hopp, **Excused** - Frank Stricklin, Brian Higgins, Kathryn Thompson & Joanne Clark.

Staff- Jim Dunwiddie, Travis Buell and Leigh Snyder

Members of the Public - 7

Approval of the May 17th Minutes

Motion: Ani Gatz **Second:** Jon Pearson
Action: Motion passed

Public Comment: Jim Heyvelt gave updates on Harper Estuary restoration. They are about 50% through and awaiting RCO ranking and then possible legislative approval for funding. Good community involvement with surveys for green crab in the estuary. Molly Lee - would like to see 250 Rude Road be made a Heritage Park and named the Johnson Creek Nature Preserve. Passed out research and information on the property to the PRAB for review. Larry Walker advised it will be reviewed by the Parks and Property Subcommittee first. Citizen addressed the land use and trails at South Kitsap Regional Park. Jim Dunwiddie gave a history of the masterplan for the park and Larry Walker explained how the Parks Department uses stewardship groups for assistance in developing and implementing Forest Stewardship Plans for each park. South Kitsap Regional Park could benefit from such a group. Brian Cobb asked how information gets to the public? Larry Walker suggested several ways - public meetings (PRAB), stewardship groups, Parks website, become involved in a stewardship group.

Directors Report-Assistant Director -Travis Buell passed out a preliminary marketing plan for PRAB review and feedback. Director Jim Dunwiddie referenced the ribbon cutting ceremony for the new picnic shelter at Wildcat Lake County Park June 21, 2018 at 10:00am. US Coast Guard representatives will be meeting with Parks staff in visiting the PNP Lighthouse property, leased by the County, for a liability assessment on June 21, 2018 as well. Ride Park Agreement for Port Gamble is being worked on with a first draft anticipated to be ready to share next week. Lobe fields 2 & 3 are 98% complete. The partnership with the CK School District on this project will be of great community benefit. Barker Creek Project is sitting with the State of Washington to complete. Waiting results of a new water test at Horseshoe Lake Park after treatment applied to the potable water (failed test).

Jon Pearson suggested a fitness trail along the lines of the Disney Trail idea - Jim Dunwiddie suggested that Veterans Memorial Park would be an ideal location.

Subcommittee Reports-

Communications - no report

Marketing - please review the marketing plan as shared by Assistant Director Buell and give feedback.

Parks & Property - will schedule a meeting upon Kathryn Thompsons availability. On the agenda will be to look at the shellfish harvesting plan. It has not been reviewed since 1998. It will likely need revision/updating.

Visitors Services - Met with finance sub-committee and Parks staff. Formulating a new fee policy and to fine tune a sustainable way to assess fees. Goal is to reach 50% of revenue to expense with fair and equitable treatment for all users.

Finance - see above Qoint meeting).

Stewardship Reports -

Banner Forest - clearing and cleaning brush from trail. Trail maps with GPS locator points available at the kiosk. Explanations posted.

Old Business - none

New Business -August is coming - sign- up sheet for the Park Booth at the Fair passed out. Jim Dunwiddie explained the County has changed the budget presentation process for this year - instead of each department presenting there will be 3 (one in each district) presentations and each department will have approximately 30 minutes. Assistant Director Buell will be undertaking the budget process this year.

Adjournment:

Motion: Josh Hopp Second: Ani Gatz

Discussion None

Action Approved

Meeting adjourned 6:45 PM