

KITSAP COUNTY PARKS ADVISORY BOARD

August 16, 2023
MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM by the Parks Advisory Board Chair, Joanne Clark. Guidelines of the hybrid Advisory Board Meeting were read.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES | ACTION: *Grady Martin motioned to adopt July 19, 2023, meeting minutes. Lisa Hurt second motion. Motion carried. Minutes approved.*

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Kim Greenwood, Poulsbo resident, co-founder of Our Forest Fund and co-chair for PGFHP Stewardship group. Attending stewardship group since 2019. Wants PAB to know that she had a good experience with PGFHP stewardship group and that this group fairly represents a variety of users and a various user interest. This group does not represent the view of one group over another.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS-

- Hawks Pond Connection acquisition project update– Since 2022 the Stewardship group, Hansville Greenway Association and Great Peninsula Conservancy have been working on this acquisition project. The acquisition of this 10 acre, undeveloped parcel adjacent to Hansville Greenway will provide connection between upper and lower Hawk's Pond wetland systems for the purpose of preserving wetlands and natural systems. A request was presented to and approved by the Kitsap County Board of Commissioners to use Conservation Futures funding to close the funding gap to acquire the land.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- The first PROS Plan survey went public on July 17. Parks is working hard to collect data from all sources throughout the county. The next phase is a survey to collect community members vision for the KC Parks future. Stakeholder meeting and focus-group opportunities are being scheduled to collect organization perspective regarding the PROS Plan. This data will feed into the Needs Assessment which ultimately leads to the development of the Goals and Objectives.
- 100th Anniversary of the Kitsap Fair –Parks staff play a significant role in supporting the Kitsap Fair and Stampede Association with this event by preparing the Fairgrounds and facilities, coordinating supplies and deliveries and general support as needed. Director gave a shout out to Parks M&O and Event staff for all the hard work they have provided for the event.

SUB COMMITTEE REPORTS – No reports provided.

DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

South Kitsap – no report

North Kitsap – no report

Central Kitsap – no report

OLD BUSINESS

- Nancy Whitaker complimented the set up for Whaling Days.
- Larry Walker reported bear sightings at Banner Forest
- Eagle's Nest deck project is on hold due to an error in the public bidding process. The project will be posted again for public bids.

NEW BUSINESS

- Nancy shared Newberry Hill Stewardship meeting on 8/17 and work party on Saturday 8/19

ADJOURNMENT | ACTION: *Larry Walker moved to adjourn the meeting. Lisa Hurt seconded the motion. Motioned carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:38PM.*

PARKS ADVISORY BOARD ATTENDANCE

PAB MEMBERS	STAFF	PUBLIC –
Joanne Clark, Chair	Alex Wisniewski	Virtual meeting public attendee names not captured
Lisa Hurt, Vice-Chair	Alex Hardy	
Larry Walker	Victoria Lehto	
Jon Pearson	Chuck Cuzzetto	
Nancy Whitaker	Aaron Bartleson	
Grady Martin	Brian Hauschel	
Amy Smally	Dee Tuttle	
