

**CITY OF LAKE STEVENS
PARK AND RECREATION PLANNING BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Community Center
1808 Main Street, Lake Stevens
Monday, July 11, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 pm by Chair Carl Johnson

MEMBERS PRESENT: Carl Johnson, Jim Kelley, Leland Adams, Chris Jones,
Marlene Sweet and Terry Van Wyck

MEMBERS ABSENT: Roger Schollenberger

STAFF PRESENT: Assistant Planner Jill Meis and Economic Development
Coordinator Jeanie Ashe

OTHERS PRESENT: Terry Myer/Bockovich and Karri Matau

Excused Absence

Excused absence of Roger Schollenberger approved.

Action Items

April 11, 2016 Minutes were approved.

Guest Business Community Gardens by the Being Neighborly community group. Being Neighborly is a Facebook platform community group with over 800 active members. The group is interested in starting a community garden and is reaching out to the Parks for possible land to utilize. Forty local families have expressed an interest in having a garden. Initial discussion was made with the County regarding the use of Cavelero Hill Park. After discussion of the current plan that is being presented for that Park, Eagle Ridge was discussed as a possible better fit. Water needs, garden sizes from 6,000 to 12,000 and timeframes were discussed with a recommendation to review the matter at the October 2016 Board meeting.

Board Member Reports None

Staff Reports

A. Safe Biking Program

Jeanie Ashe, filling in for Ryland Ploeger, gave a report on how bicycling impacts local tourism. Jeanie stated that Biking is a 3.1 Billion dollar industry in Washington State with the average biker spending \$41 per day. The City needs to continue to pursue this segment as being a "Bike Friendly Town". Share the road signs, trail signs, bike racks and biking education such as a bicycle rodeo are examples of ways this message can be conveyed. Jim Kelley mentioned that the National Night Out event was being held on Tuesday August 2nd and that would be a good time to have a bicycle rodeo event. Jeanie stated that the short timeframe may be a concern but they would try to make it happen.

B. Lundeen Park update

Jeanie Ashe provided an update on the many things happening at Lundeen Park. Park clean up, clearing of trees, and the remodeled Visitor Information

Center/Chamber Office has increased Park usage. The new Kayak and Stand up Paddle Board rentals along with their concession sales, has been a big hit. Jeanie invited all of the Park Board members to come visit and see the changes.

Discussion Items

A discussion of bike signage for on and off access to the Centennial Trail and other bike paths ensued. Approaching things with a bike friendly view will help efforts to get people in to town. A possible bike kiosk in downtown was suggested.

Council Reports None

Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 7:02 pm

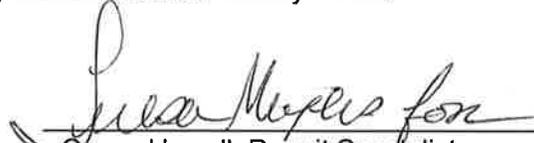
Proposed Future Agenda Items

Next Meeting

August 8, 2016 6:00-9:00 It will be a joint meeting with Snohomish County Parks.



Carl Johnson, Chair
co-chair Jim Kelley



Casey Howell, Permit Specialist