

**CITY OF LAKE STEVENS
PARK AND RECREATION PLANNING BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Virtual Meeting
Lake Stevens, WA 98258

Monday February 8, 2021

CALL TO ORDER: 6:05 PM by Chris Jones, Chair

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Jones, Marlene Sweet, Carl Johnson, Roger Schollenberger, Susan Green

MEMBERS ABSENT: Tina Decker

STAFF PRESENT: Russ Wright, Planning and Community Development Director; Jill Meis, Parks Planning and Development Coordinator; Teresa Meyers, Planning

ACTION ITEMS:

Regular Minutes: Carl Johnson moved to approve. Roger Schollenberger seconded. The motion carried (5-0-0-1)

Arts & Parks Foundation Members Appointment: Jill Meis informed the members the Board needed to reappoint two members to the Arts & Parks Foundation as representatives. Carl Johnson and Marlene Sweet volunteered to continue serving on the Arts & Parks Foundation on the behalf of the Park Board. Roger Schollenberger moved to approve. Chris Jones seconded. Motion carried (5-0-0-1)

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. **Centennial Woods Pump Track or Skills Park** Jill Meis informed the Board several community members had contacted the City regarding a pump track recreational facility, so staff had worked on identifying potential locations for Board consideration. Jill introduced Brian Hendrick and invited him to present the vision for a pump track and mountain biking options. Brian described the advantages of adding recreation activities like the pump track and mountain bike trails to the City which would allow for citizens to remain close to home, shopping and dining. The pump track proposal for the Centennial Woods site would be open to anyone with bikes or scooters at all levels providing great family recreational opportunity. The Lake Stevens Outdoor Alliance is committed to making the city a premiere outdoor recreation location and pledged to be heavily involved with the development of the proposed Centennial Woods pump track and Eagle Ridge Park mountain bike trail. Special guest presenter Yvonne Kraus with Evergreen Mountain Bike Association was invited to provide a full

spectrum presentation to the Board for the proposed mountain bike trails, skills building and pump track projects. The presentation covered concept ideas, mountain bike alliance history, overview of alliance mission and activities, grant and fund-raising opportunities. With COVID-19 restrictions and concerns, outdoor activities have become a priority and Snohomish County currently doesn't provide enough options for the population. The discussion attracted 30 outside participants in the meeting. No action was taken.

2. Eagle Ridge Park Mountain Bike Trail

Jill Meis informed the Board the Eagle Ridge mountain bike trail discussion item was mostly covered with Yvonne Krause's presentation. The proposed trail is intended to be a multi-use trail throughout Eagle Ridge Park and the association did review the park master plan to integrate the use without upsetting the current use. Ideally the concept would include a bike trail connection from the Pump track to Lundeen Park to Eagle Ridge Park for local continuous access. Chris Jones suggested the Board would need to look at the master plan to review the original intent and vision prior to making any recommendations. Roger Schollenberger agreed saying the Board originally envisioned Eagle Ridge Park as a passive park and would like to revisit the master plan. The Board requested staff bring the master plan back to the board for consideration along with feasibility options for both sites. No action was taken.

Parks Update- Jill Meis provided the update as presented in the agenda

- Interviews for the vacant Park Board member seat were held and Vice-Chair Roger Schollenberger participated on the panel.
- North Cove Park – Plans have been submitted for the festival street to be known as Mill Spur to connect Main Street to 123rd Drive. The project requires the relocation of the rowing shed, library and museum.
- Frontier Heights – A grant from Snohomish County has been received for the improvements that were completed at the park. Public Works continues to work on the punch list items for the coming months.
- Davies Beach – Rustic Cork and North Cascades Crew has adopted Davies Beach under the Adopt-A-Community plan.
- Eagle Ridge Park – Proposed mountain bike trails under consideration.
- Cavalero Park – Snohomish County has revised construction plans in process to revise the pervious concrete around the bowl and repair drainage issues.
- Master Trail Plan – Staff conducted a site visit for possible alignments for the trail. The project is set to start June 2021.
- Grants – Staff continues to lobby for RCO grants for park funding.
- Recreation programs – The RFP was distributed for proposals on recreation, events, festivals and community programs.
- Volunteer projects – Many streets have been adopted under the new Adopt-A-Community plan.
- Lundeen Park – Public Works remodeled and cleaned up the restroom facilities.

- Centennial Woods – Park Board was briefed on the possibility of a pump track adjacent to the Centennial Trail on park property.
- Legislative Session – Jill updated the board with the current active legislation for parks development, maintenance, and operations.

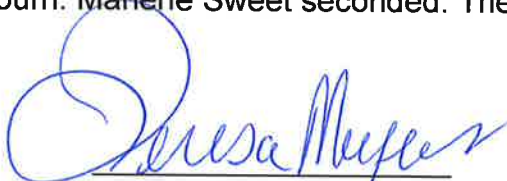
Board Member Reports: Carl Johnson asked about Sunset Beach and suggested the City incorporate a porta potty location once the park has been officially acquired. Roger Schollenberger inquired about bike design plans for the pump track whether the Board would have an opportunity to review. Jill confirmed staff will come back with a plan for board consideration and discussion. Susan Green asked whether the rowing club location was City property. Russ Wright affirmed the City is looking at properties in the area to acquire for the festival street area and park expansion and a parcel had been purchased for the rowing club storage house to be relocated. Chris Jones commented that the youth sports programs were ramping up for the season.

ADJOURN:

Carl Johnson moved to adjourn. Marlene Sweet seconded. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.



Chris Jones, Chair



Teresa Meyers, Secretary