

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

Virtual Meeting  
Lake Stevens, WA 98258

Monday May 9, 2021

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 PM by Tina Decker

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairperson Tina Decker, Vice Chairperson Roger Schollengerger, Carl Johnson, Marlene Sweet, Susan Green, Bryan Heigert, Colton Whitworth, and City Council Liaison Marcus Tageant

MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: Jill Meis, Parks Planning and Development Coordinator; Russ Wright, Planning & Community Development Director; Natalie Held, Planning

GUESTS:

**GUEST BUSINESS:**

**ACTION ITEMS:**

Member Roger Schollengerger motioned to approve Colton Whitworth's absence. Carl Johnson's seconded the motion. The motion carried (7-0-0-1) Colton Whitworth joined at 6:03pm.

- 1.) **Approval of April 11, 2022 Meeting Minutes:** Carl Johnson moved to approve the minutes. Roger Schollengerger seconded the motion. The motion carried (8-0-0-0)
- 2.) **Approve Plaque and Memorial Policy:** Coordinator Jill Meis defines peace poles as standing for a peaceful place. Ms. Meis provided pictures to the Board and asked for approval of the Plaque and Memorial Policy. Roger Schollengerger recommends adding a Totem Pole. Members discussed height limitations, designated areas, and saturation point of peace poles. Coordinator Meis states peace poles are typically 4-5' tall and there are not designated areas selected currently. Carl Johnson inquired if verbiage will be limited. Coordinator Meis points out that Director will approve on a case-by-case basis and can be presented to Arts and Parks Foundation if a large-scale project is proposed. Member Heigert suggests designing pre-designated areas in park and amounts of poles allowed. Chairperson Tina Decker asked Board if policy is approved or more edits are needed. Members agreed to see changes in policy. Director Russ Wright does not recommend designated locations within policy

and will look to Arts and Parks for design when requests are received. Susan Green agreed there is enough flexibility in the policy. Carl Johnson stressed there should be a time limit to fixtures. Chairperson Tina Decker called a vote for approval of the Plaque and Memorial Policy. Motioned by member Marlene Sweet and seconded by Carl Johnson. The motion carried (8-0-0-0)

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **1. Parks Update**

- North Cove- staff has coordination with youth organizations to find alternative recreation for the youth that frequent the park. Director Russ presented the Youth Activity Design Board's goal and policy. The first amenity proposed is a modular skate park in the deck area with a few pieces of moveable skate equipment. The other is a game area on a concrete pad surrounded by a seating wall including outdoor ping pong tables, chess/checker table, ladder toss, and corn hole. Russ Wright is currently working on quotes and receiving Council approval for funding. Bryan Heigert suggests a temporary net or a solution to keeping ping pong balls contained. Colton Whitworth is concerned the seating wall may become a trip hazard for ping pong players. Director Wright states there is 5ft clearance around the ping pong table and agrees temporary screen is a good thought.
- Davies Beach- The police and fire boats will be relocating in 2023. The floating docks on either side of the launch will be replaced this summer.
- Eagle Ridge Park- Cultural resource survey was completed in last week of April and staff will work on next steps once that report is received.
- Cedarwood Community Center- The structural engineering firm is conducting multiple analyses and bringing in special inspections to help define what work is necessary
- Centennial Woods Park- Staff has set a meeting later this month to meet with Puget Sound Energy for use of their parcel for the pump track
- Trail Master Program- Staff is still working through easement acquisitions with more appointments later this week. City is moving forward with condemnation.
- Frontier Heights Park- Staff submitted a grant application to RCO last week for development of the multi-use synthetic field and pickleball courts. Plans for the sensory garden and viewing labyrinth are being developed and revamped.
- Lions Club Fishing Derby- Taking place on May 21, 2022 at North Cove
- Lake Stevens School District Bands- The Lake Stevens Arts and Parks Foundation will host the school district bands on June 4<sup>th</sup>
- Health and Wellness Fair- Held on June 26<sup>th</sup> at North Cove Park
- July 4<sup>th</sup>- The Lake Stevens Chamber of Commerce is planning a 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration at North Cove Park
- Farmers Market- returns on Wednesdays starting June 1<sup>st</sup> through August
- Aquafest- Will return downtown from July 26-31<sup>st</sup>.
- Theater in the Park- Will return to Eagle Ridge Park on August 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. Performances include A Midsummer Night's Dream and Who Stole the Queen of Hearts' Tarts.

Roger Schollengerger inquired about “ga-ga” ball pits and Jill Meis informed the group there is currently one located at Eagle Ridge Park.

**Board Member Reports:**

Carl Johnson reported the Arts and Parks Foundation will be meeting tomorrow afternoon. Susan Green thanked Jill Meis for her hard work. Tina Decker noticed one of the lights at Frontier Heights is pointing upward while the others are pointed down and noticed a cooler full of rocks. Councilmember Marcus Tageant appreciates the updates and that the parks are leaning toward youth experiences.

**ADJOURN:**

Carl Johnson moved to adjourn. Marlene Sweet seconded motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:44 pm. The motion carried (8-0-0-0)

*Natalie Held*

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Clerk, Parks & Recreation Planning Board Clerk