



**PARKS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2025 – 5:00 PM
1015 STATE AVE
MARYSVILLE, WA 98270**

MINUTES

Park Advisory Board Members Present:

Tom King - City Council Representative
Mike Leighan - Chairperson
Brooke Hougan
Marques Oliver
Sharon Kanehen - excused
Tom Lewis – absent
Jodi Condyles
Noah Pylvainen

Parks and Recreation Staff Present:

Tara Mizell - Director of Parks
Dave Hall - Assistant Director of Parks
Jane Shafer - Parks Administrative
Specialist
Skip Knutsen - Maintenance Services &
Solid Waste Manager
Brandon Dale - Cedarcrest Golf

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting called to order at 5:01pm.

VISITORS IN THE AUDIENCE:

None

MINUTES:

MOTION made by Jodi Condyles to approve the minutes of the November 13, 2024 meeting. Seconded by Brooke Hougan. **MOTION** passes unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Camera Update

Tara reported we are working to get cameras installed at Twin Lakes. Permit should be approved January 17. Cameras should be installed by end of February.

2. Fees in 2025

City Council did pass the recommended fee schedule from the Park Board. There was some debate about Barn non-profit rental fees but after discussion it did pass. Golf fees were also added to the fee schedule instead of separating the golf fee schedule by itself. It was also discussed to integrate the boat launch fees into the fee schedule too. The daily boat launch fee is still \$10 and annual pass is \$75.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Deering Storm Damage

Skip presented a slide presentation of the Deering storm damage. There was significant damage done due to the Bomb Cyclone. Multiple trees came down and more than three bridges were significantly damaged. The initial response took 20 staff hours and about \$7,500 to tree service to take care of downed trees. Work to be completed still: additional tree services will be done by Parks staff, bridge repairs is estimated to be 90 staff hours and one trail will need to be rerouted and estimated to be 6 staff hours. This should all be reimbursed by FEMA. The outside perimeter trails are open but the inner trails will be closed until the work is complete which is estimated to take a month to 90 days to complete.

2. Twin Lakes 2025 Plan

New signage is coming for Twin Lakes Park. A lot of clean up is being done. As part of the capital improvements, work will be started on the SW corner of the park where it gets very wet.

Snohomish County Council will be having a transfer ceremony next Wednesday, January 15, at 9am at the Jackson Board Room in the General Legislative. Tara invited everyone to attend.

3. Golf Update

Tara thanked Brandon Dale for all his work that he done at the Cedarcrest Golf Course. He received Manager of the Year and Course of the Year from Premier Golf. Financial achievements achieved at Cedarcrest Golf: all-time records for green fees for 10 out of 12 months in 2024; all-time records for cart rentals 7 out of 12 months; all-time records for Pro-Shop merchandise sales in 8 out of 12 months; all-time revenue records 10 of 12 months; reached \$2 million in revenue on October 11, 2024. Brandon reported that they are starting on the irrigation plan for work to get done. Tara stated we are working with the consultants, GPS, for the irrigation design.

Staff Reports

Dave Hall

- Wedding Show at the Opera House on Saturday.
- Saturday is the first day for basketball games.
- It's Snowing Ice cream at the Opera House on January 26. The Harmonica Pocket will be performing.
- Father Daughter Dance on February 1 and 8.
- Soccer registration is currently open for spring league.
- Senior Sweetheart Dance is February 6.
- Cupid Shuffle Fun Run is on February 8.
- Dueling Pianos will be at the Opera House on February 14.
- Treat Yourself Women's Expo is March 1.
- Marysville Talent Show is March 7.
- Mother Son Superhero Dance is March 8.
- Shamrock Walk Scavenger Hunt at Twin Lakes the first two weeks of March.
- May 13, Tuesday, we will have an inclusive play specialist from Landscape Structures give a talk on the inclusive playground at Jennings Park. The Park Board, City Council and public will all be invited to attend. This presentation will take place in the Council Chambers. She will speak for a hour and then on-site at Jennings Park. As she is in a wheelchair while also being an expert, she will be able to explain things and look at the park.

Skip Knutsen

- Skip is excited to do some planning on how we maintain our parks and what the labor burden looks like for 2025.

- We are recruiting for seasonal help to help support maintenance.

Tara Mizell

- The lease is up for LINC NW, who rents the Jennings Park office, the end of March. They are wanting to continue their rental so working with Legal for another lease for them.
- Tara reported we are working with Finance and turning the Opera House into a standalone project. We will be able to track all expenses that are being spent like materials, staff hours, labor, etc.
- Strawberry Festival judging for royalty will be held at the Opera House on February 4 at 6pm. There are 15 applicants, and the royalty does receive a scholarship.
- Jennifer Stapleton was give a tour of Mother Nature's Window, Strawberry Fields and the Dog Park.

Call on Board Members

Jodi Condyles asked if there was a problem with graffiti in the Parks. Skip mentioned there was some at Freeway Park. Jodi stated she noticed a resident that got a new fence on 67th was tagged. Dave reported that See-Click-Fix is a great place to report graffiti seen. She said the new Jenning Park sign is beautiful. Jodi attended the ribbon cutting for the Lake Stevens side of the Bayview connector. There were many community members and council from Lake Stevens who attended. Jodi also congratulated Brandon on the fine work he has been doing at Cedarcrest Golf Course. Lastly Jodi wanted to thank Tara for her great work and the poise she shows when talking with the City Council. She is a great representative for the parks and city.

Tom King is still getting good comments about the Merrysville for the Holidays parade. Tom asked Tara about replacing the Kiwanis Park sign. Tara said we have new parks sign design completed. She will let Tom know when they are ready and Kiwanis will pay for it when they are completed.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION made by Noah Pylvainen to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Brooke Hougan. **MOTION** passes unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:02pm.