



**PARKS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, July 9, 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 – online with Teams
Sharon Kanehen
Mark Seely - absent
Jodi Condyles
Noah Pylvainen

Parks and Recreation Staff Present:

Tara Mizell – Director of Parks
Dave Hall - Assistant Director of Parks
Jeramie Roth – Parks Maintenance Sup
Amandeep Kaur – Parks Associate
Nick Loutsis – Project Engineer

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting called to order at 5:00pm.

VISITORS IN THE AUDIENCE:

None

MINUTES:

MOTION made by Sharon Kanehen to approve the minutes of the May 14, 2025 meeting. Seconded by Brooke Hougan. **MOTION** passes unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Mother Nature's Window

Dave Hall reported that the contractor is scheduled to begin work on July 28 at Mother Nature's Window. Work should be completed by December 8.

2. Rainier Vista

Tara Mizell stated Parks is working on a project with the Marysville Noon Rotary Club. A pavilion will be installed in Rainier Vista Park. Jeramie reported that Rotary is going to pay for the structure and electrical connection. City staff will provide the trenching and excavation repair for the structure. Jeramie will apply for a permit to get power from PUD. The pavilion will have lighting but will manually have to be turned on/off. The address of this park is 5230 60th Pl. N.E.

3. Golf Irrigation Project

Nick Loutsis, project engineer at Public Works, gave a PowerPoint presentation for this project. He stated the existing system that supplies the water for the sprinklers is in bad condition. The PVC pipes are failing with multiple leaks and major inefficiencies. It is hard to find parts for this system because it is so outdated. The new irrigation system will have modern sprinkler heads, HDPE pipes and high efficiency controls. City Council awarded the project to Terra Dynamics Inc in June. The projected cost is \$3,739,500. The projected timeline is September 2025-April 2026. Nick gave an overview of the irrigation system and where it will be placed in the course. He explained how the pipes will be connected to each other and how the pipes will be installed, etc. The roof in the pump station will need to be replaced as it is in bad condition. The existing wet well will be sleeved. The pond will be dredged by two divers and pumped into two sediment containers. These containers will be placed in the rough between Hole 1 and Hole 9.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Pocket Park at Community Center

Dave stated we are planning to put in a pocket park at the Community Center at the south side of the building in front of the garage doors. We will have a safe outdoor space for parents and small children. We will fence in a 1600' area with 4' fence, artificial turf, umbrellas and picnic tables for people to sit. A gate will be put at each end. Rotary has donated about \$34,000. It will cost about \$22,000 for the turf and \$6,000 for the fencing. This will help the families who are waiting for others in classes taking place in the Community Center and open space in the hallway where people usually converse while waiting.

2. Parking Issues

Tara reported there are parking issues at Ebey Waterfront Park. Parking is free for two hours or less, which allows people time to walk the trail or visit the park. People have been parking for two hours, leaving the park, returning to the park and parking for another two hours. This issue was taken to council, and an ordinance was updated so vehicles cannot do this. This will give police the ability to ticket people who are doing this.

We also have had issues towing vehicles. Parks now has separate towing contracts with Dick's Towing at Twin Lakes, Jennings Park, Jennings Nature Park, back side of Jennings by the pickleball courts, Ebey Waterfront Park, Community Center and Cedarcrest Golf Course. Signs are getting put up at these locales.

Staff Reports

Dave Hall

- Summer camps have started, including art camps, sewing camps, Lego coding camps, STEM camps, pickleball camps, mini camps, sports camps, etc.
- Stilly River Lockdown Band is playing tonight in Comeford Park.
- Junk in the Trunk is this Saturday at Community Center back parking lot.
- Children's concert begins next Wednesday, July 16. Brian Waite will be performing at noon in Comeford Park.
- Movies start Friday in Jennings Memorial Park. Captain America Brave New World will be shown at 9:00pm.
- Art and Quilt Walk will be on August 5 from 4:00-7:00pm in Jennings Memorial Park. National Night Out is on the same day but takes place in Comeford Park.
- Touch-A-Truck is on Saturday, September 13, from 10:00am-1:00pm.

Jeramie Roth

- I Heart is this week with lots of projects getting done, like edging and new bark at the Community Center, painting a building at Doleshel Park, working at Peace Park, etc.

Tara Mizell

- Comprehensive plan draft should be ready for the next park board meeting in September to review.
- The Fourth of July was amazing. It was the biggest crowd we've ever seen.
- Strawberry Festival was another great event.
- There was a missing child this week and our staff helped in searching.

Call on Board Members

Brooke Hougan asked about the roadside memorial near her neighborhood that continues to grow every year. It is in its fourth year. Tom King said council is working on a new ordinance that will address this.

Tom King reported the railings of the Ebey Bridge were taken down to be displayed in the Marysville Historical Museum.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION made by Brooke Hougan to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Jodi Condyles. **MOTION** passes unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:04pm.